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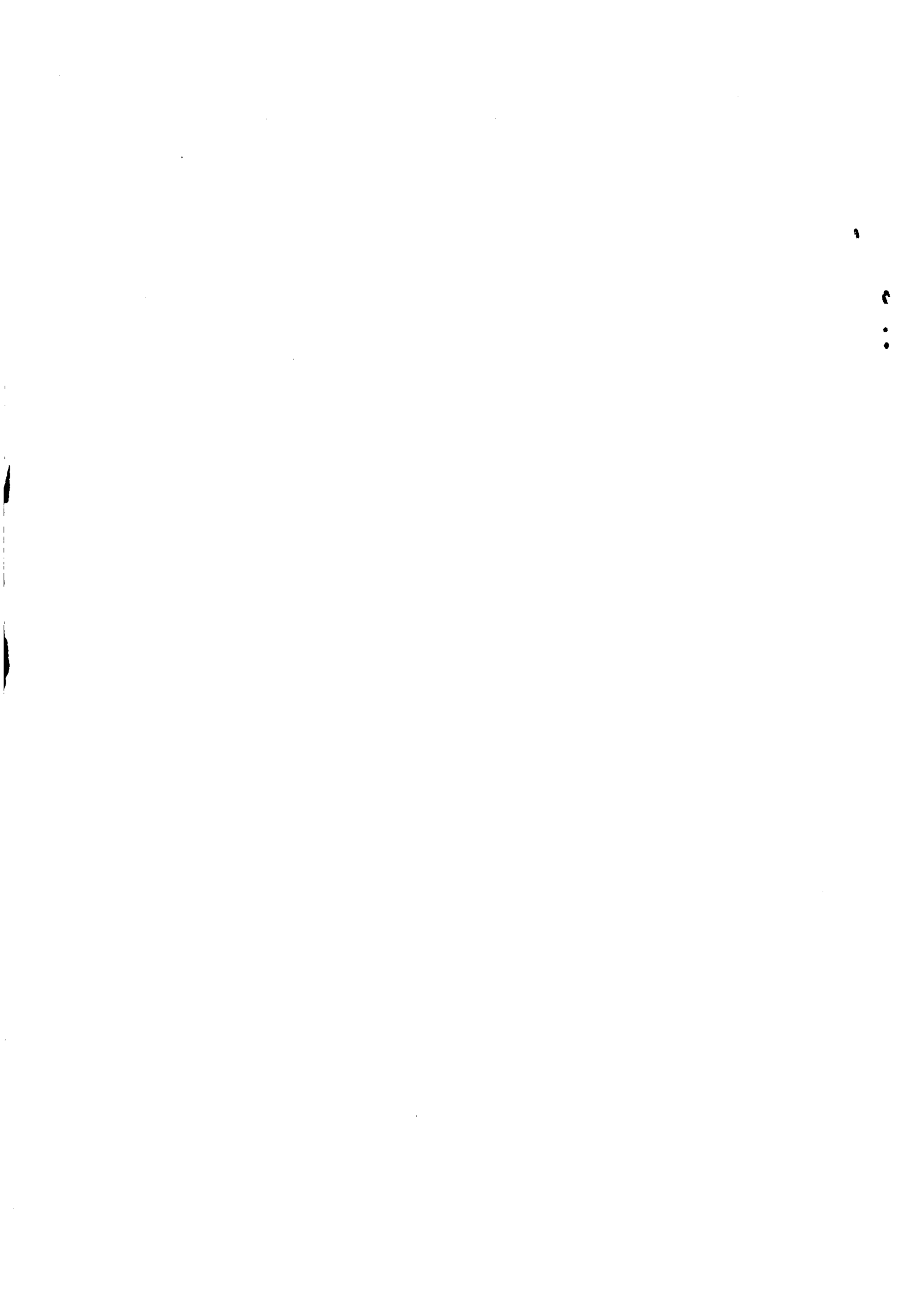
COM(77) 225 final.
Brussels, 26 May 1977

Proposal for Council Regulation (EEC)

amending Regulations (EEC) Nos 3035/76 and
3036/76 opening, allocating and providing for the
administration of Community tariff quotas for dried
figs and dried grapes falling within subheadings
ex 08.03 B and 08.04 B I of the Common Customs
Tariff, originating in Spain (1977)

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

COM(77) 225 final.



EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. On the basis of the EEC-Spain Agreement of 1970, each year the Community opens annual Community tariff quotas at reduced rates of duty, in respect of figs and grapes falling within subheadings ex 08.03 B and 08.04 B I of the CCT, originating in Spain, as indicated below :

- 200 metric tons at duties of 3% for dried figs, imported in immediated containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less
- 1 700 metric tons duty-free for dried grapes, imported in immediate containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less.

These tariff quotas relate only to imports into the Community as originally constituted and at present cover the year 1977¹.

¹OJ No L 350, 20.12.1976, page 25.

2. Since it is hardly to be assumed that the additional protocol on which negotiations between the Community and Spain began on 6 May 1977 will be applicable from 1 July 1977, the Commission considers that in these circumstances the Community tariff quotas referred to above should be extended to cover the three new Member States. For dried grapes similarly account should be taken of the estimated volume of imports of the product in question into those three Member States in the second half of the current year and the quota volume should be increased accordingly, that is to 100 metric tons.

In accordance with normal practice, a portion of this additional volume would be allocated to each of the three Member States concerned and the remainder allocated to existing Community reserve.

For the tariff quota for dried figs, the imports in the last years were nihil in the new Member States and negligible for the six original Member States. It seems therefore not to be appropriate to increase the volume of this quota.

3. This tariff measure should be applicable from 1 July 1977. It is essential that it be adopted as rapidly as possible.
4. This is the purpose of the proposal annexed hereto.

Proposal for
Council Regulation (EEC)
amending Regulations (EEC) Nos 3035/76 and 3036/76 opening,
allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff
quotas for dried figs and dried grapes falling within subheadings
ex 08.03 B and 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff,
originating in Spain (1977)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,
and in particular Articles 43 and 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament,

Whereas Council Regulations (EEC) Nos 3035/76 and 3036/76
of 9 December 1976¹ lay down tariff
arrangements for imports of dried figs and dried grapes falling within
subheadings ex 08.03 B and 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff,
originating in Spain, only in respect of the Member States of the Community
as originally constituted; whereas those arrangements are applicable for
1977; whereas the import arrangements for the products in question should
be aligned throughout the Community as from 1 July 1977; whereas in
consequence the above Regulation must be amended;

¹OJ No L 350, 20.12.1976, pp. 25 and 28

²OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p. 14.

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HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 3035/76 is hereby amended as follows :

Article 2 shall read as follows:

"1. A first instalment, amounting to 190 tonnes of the Community tariff quota referred to in Article 1, shall be allocated among the Member States; the respective shares, which subject to Article 5 shall be valid until 31 December 1977, shall be as follows :

Germany	40 tonnes
Benelux	40 tonnes
Denmark	5 tonnes
France	40 tonnes
Ireland	5 tonnes
Italy	40 tonnes
United Kingdom	20 tonnes

2. The second instalment of 10 tonnes shall constitute the reserve."

Article 2

Regulation (EEC) No 3036/76 is hereby amended as follows :

1. In Article 1 the volume of 1,700 tonnes for dried grapes falling within tariff subheading 08.04 B I shall be increased to 1,800 tonnes.

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2. Article 2 shall read as follows:

"1. A first instalment, amounting to 1,440 tonnes of the Community tariff quota referred to in Article 1, shall be allocated among the Member States; the respective shares, which subject to Article 5 shall be valid until 31 December 1977, shall be as follows :

Germany	55 tonnes
Benelux	177 tonnes
Denmark	5 tonnes
France	870 tonnes
Ireland	10 tonnes
Italy	258 tonnes
United Kingdom	65 tonnes

2. The second instalment of 360 tonnes shall constitute the reserve."

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

It shall apply from 1 July 1977.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. Budget line concerned : Ch. 12 Art. 120

2. Legal basis : Art. 43 and 113

3. Title of the tariff measure :

Proposal for Regulation (EEC) No/77 amending Council Regulation (EEC) Nos 3035/76 and 3036/76 opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for dried figs and dried grapes falling within subheadings ex 08.03 B and 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain (1977)

4. Objectives : Extension of contractual tariff measures to cover the three new Member States

5. Method of calculation :

- No of CCT	: ex 08.03 B	08.04 B I
- Quota volume	: unchanged	100 mt
- Quota duty rate	: 3%	duty-free
- Duty rate CCT	: 10%	4%

6. Loss of receipts :

280,000 to 320,000 EUR according to the use of the quota of dried grapes.