

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DECISION EXTENDING, IN RESPECT OF
THE UNITED KINGDOM, THE TIME LIMIT PROVIDED FOR IN THE ACT
OF ACCESSION FOR RETAINING QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON
IMPORTS OF FLAX OR RAMIE YARN IN RESPECT OF STATE-TRADING
COUNTRIES

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. According to the first subparagraph of paragraph 3(c) of Chapter VI in Annex VII to the Act of Accession the United Kingdom and Ireland may, notwithstanding Council Regulation (EEC) No. 109/70¹⁾, retain quantitative restrictions on imports from state-trading countries of flax or ramie yarn, whether or not put up for retail sale.

In the second subparagraph of paragraph 3(c) of Chapter VI in the same Annex to the Act of Accession it is stated that the above time limit may, if necessary, be extended by decision of the Council acting by qualified majority, on a proposal from the Commission, up to and including 31 December 1977.

2. On 23 October 1975 the United Kingdom Government informed the Commission that it wished to retain the quantitative restrictions in question until 31 December 1977 in view of the difficulties still being experienced by the textile industry concerned in the United Kingdom.

3. In view of the above the Commission believes that the extension of the time limit in question, as desired by the United Kingdom Government, may be considered favourably.

4. The Commission therefore proposes that the Council adopt the decision of which a draft is attached hereto.

1) See O.J. No. L 19 of 26 January 1970, p. 1

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Act of Accession, and in particular the second subparagraph of paragraph 3(c) of Chapter VI in Annex VII thereto;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas the first subparagraph of the said paragraph 3(c) entitles the United Kingdom and Ireland, notwithstanding common rules for imports No. 109/70¹⁾ of 19 December 1969 establishing common rules for imports from state-trading countries, to retain quantitative restrictions up to and including 31 December 1975 on imports from state-trading countries of flax or ramie yarn, not put up for retail sale (CCT heading No 54.03) and flax or ramie yarn put up for retail sale (CCT heading No 54.04);

Whereas in view of the economic difficulties still being experienced by the United Kingdom in this industry, the above time limit should be extended up to and including 31 December 1977 in respect of that Member State;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

1) O.J. No. L 19, 26 January 1970, p. 1

SOLE ARTICLE

The time limit specified in the first subparagraph of paragraph 3(c) of Chapter VI in Annex VII to the Act of Accession is hereby extended in respect of the United Kingdom from 31 December 1975 to 31 December 1977.

This Decision is addressed to the United Kingdom.

Done at

For the Council

The President