COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

COM(81) 582 final Brussels, 21 October 1981

Recommendation for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic regarding prepared or preserved tomatoes falling within subheading 20.02 C of the Common Customs Tariff

(presented by the Commission to the Council)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The purpose of the exchange of letters annexed to the draft Regulation is to confirm, for 1982, the voluntary restraint volume agreed with Portugal since several years.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

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

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission,

Whereas it is necessary to conclude the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic regarding prepared or preserved tomatoes falling within subheading 20.02 C of the Common Customs Tariff.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Economic Community and the

Portuguese Republic regarding prepared or preserved tomatoes falling within subheading 20.02 C of the Common Customs Tariff is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Regulation.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to appoint the person empowered to sign the Agreement for the purpose of binding the Community.

Article 3

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

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

Done at Brussels.

For the Council
The President

AGREEMENT

in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic regarding prepared or preserved tomatoes falling within subheading 20.02 C of the Common Customs Tariff

Letter No 1

Brussels,

Sir.

I have the honour to refer to Article 3 of Protocol 8 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic signed on 22 July 1972 and to the exchange of letters of 5 December 1975.

I have the honour to inform you that for 1982the Community is ready to renew the volume agreed for the preceding year. Accordingly, the Portuguese Government undertakes to adopt the necessary measures in order that the quantities of tomatoes that have been prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, falling within subheading 20.02 C of the Common Customs Tariff and supplied to the Community in 1982 do not exceed 90 000 tonnes.

I should be grateful if you would kindly confirm the agreement of your Government to the contents of this letter.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

On behalf of the Council of the European Communities

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For the Government of the Portuguese Republic