

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a  
REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL  
increasing the Community tariff quota opened for 1976  
by Regulation (EEC) N° 2888/75 for certain eels falling  
within subheading 'ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs  
Tariff

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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)



EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. By its Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 of 29 October 1975<sup>1</sup>, the Council opened and allocated among the Member States, for 1976, a Community tariff quota for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff. The overall initial amount was fixed at 5 700 metric tons on the basis of estimates calculated towards the end of 1975.
2. At the request of the German authorities, the eel market situation and import requirements from non-Member countries were re-examined at a meeting of the Working Party on Tariff Economy held on 10 June 1976, on the basis of the usual forecasts for the second half of 1976 provided by the Member States.
3. Data forecasts supplied by Member States estimate additional requirements at approximately 1 500 metric tons until the end of 1976.
4. As regards the subdivision of the above-mentioned amount of 1 500 tons among the Member States, a first tranche of 1 340 tons was allocated among them and the balance, amounting to 160 tons, was put into the reserve set up at the beginning of the year by the initial Regulation.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ No L 292, 12.11.1975, p. 35.



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increasing the Community tariff quota opened for 1976 by  
Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 for certain eels falling within  
subsubheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,  
and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission; (1)

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament; (2)

Whereas in its Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75<sup>(3)</sup> the Council opened and allocated  
among Member States, for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II  
of the Common Customs Tariff, a zero-duty Community tariff quota fixed at  
the level of 5 000 metric tons;

Whereas, on the basis of the most recent data for 1975 concerning this product,  
supplementary Community import requirements from non-Member countries are  
estimated at 1 500 metric tons; whereas the quota amount should be increased  
by this amount to take account of such requirements; whereas in order to  
safeguard the Community nature of the tariff quota in question, a first  
tranche of the additional amount should be allocated among the Member States  
whilst the balance should be allocated to the Community reserve set up by  
Article 2(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75;

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(2) .....

(3) OJ No L 292, 12.11.1975, p. 35.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The Community tariff quota opened by Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff shall be increased from 5 700 to 7 200 metric tons.

Article 2

1. The first tranche of this increase, which amounts to 1 340 tons, shall be allocated as follows among the Member States listed below :

- in metric tons -

Benelux	500
Denmark	250
Germany	400
France	10
United Kingdom	180

2. The second tranche, which amounts to 160 metric tons, shall constitute the reserve. The amount of the reserve provided for in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 shall thus rise from 500 to 660 metric tons.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh 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