

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL DIRECTIVE
amending Directive 79/695/EEC on the harmonization of procedures
for the release of goods for free circulation, as a result of
Greek accession

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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Explanatory memorandum

Council Directive 79/685/EEC of 24 July 1979 (1) laid down provisions for the harmonization of procedures for the release of goods for free circulation.

Article 26(2) of that Directive laid down the number of votes which must be recorded in the Committee on General Customs Rules in order that it may be deemed to have given a favourable opinion on draft implementation provisions submitted to it by the Commission.

However, the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the European Communities on 1 January 1981 has made it necessary to adjust the number of votes, having regard to the weighting provided for in the Act of Accession.

Such is the aim of this proposal for a Directive. It is founded on the Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Hellenic Republic and the adjustments to the Treaties (2) and in particular Article 146 thereof. Since the Council must adopt this proposal before 1 January 1981 and bearing in mind the purely technical modifications it contains, it is not appropriate to seek the opinions of the European Parliament and the Economic and Social Committee.

(1) OJ No L 205, 13.8.1979, p. 19

(2) OJ No L 291, 19.11.1979, p. 17

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Greece, and in particular Article
146 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, as a result of the accession of Greece to the European Communities,
the number of votes needed to constitute a majority in the Committee
procedure laid down in Article 26(2) of Council Directive 79/695/EEC¹
should be adjusted,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE :

Article 1

In Article 26(2) of Directive 79/695/EEC, the number "41" (forty-one) shall
be replaced by "45" (forty-five).

Article 2

This Directive shall enter into force on the same date as Directive 79/695/EEC.

¹ OJ No L 205, 13.8.1979, p. 19.

Article 3

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council,

