

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

extending the arrangements applicable to trade with
Malta beyond the date of expiry of the first stage of
the Association Agreement

Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

extending the arrangements applicable to trade with the
Republic of Cyprus beyond the date of expiry of the first
stage of the Association Agreement

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

on the extension of certain provisions governing the first stage of the Agreements establishing an association between the European Economic Community on the one hand and Malta and Cyprus on the other.

1. The provisions governing the first stage of the Agreements with Malta and Cyprus and the provisions of the Protocols concluded with those two countries expire on 30 June.
2. Negotiations are in progress with Malta and Cyprus for the conclusion of additional protocols to the Association Agreements extending the first stage of those Agreements beyond 1 July. There is no chance, however, of the two protocols entering into force on that date.
3. In the circumstances and in order to avoid a legal vacuum in the Community's relations with Malta and Cyprus, the Commission proposes that the Council adopt the draft regulations autonomously extending certain provisions governing the first stage of the Agreements with Malta and Cyprus until the entry into force of the additional protocols now being negotiated or until 31 December, whichever is the sooner.
4. The question of "Cyprus Sherry" type wine will be the subject of a separate Communication by the Commission to the Council.

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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

extending the arrangements applicable to trade with Malta beyond the date of expiry of the first stage of the Association Agreement

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 the provisions governing the first stage of the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and Malta¹, including the Protocol laying down certain provisions relating to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and Malta², which was extended by the Agreement of 26 February 1976³, expires on 30 June 1977;

Whereas negotiations are in progress for the conclusion of an additional protocol to the Association Agreement;

Whereas, pending the conclusion of that protocol, the arrangements which the Community applies to trade with Malta under the association with that country should be extended,

¹OJ No L 61, 14.3.1971, p.2.
²OJ No L 111, 28.4.1976, p.3

³OJ No L 61, 27.3.1976, p.2.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The trade arrangements provided for in the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and Malta, including the Protocol laying down certain provisions relating to that Agreement consequent on the accession of new Member States to the Community but excluding the provisions of Articles 4, 9(1) and 11 of the said Protocol, and in Decision no 1/76 of the Association Council of 29 June 1976 derogating from the concept of "originating products" for reception apparatus falling within heading No 85.15 of the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature¹, shall remain applicable in the Community beyond 30 June 1977 and until the entry into force of the additional protocol or until 31 December 1977, whichever is the sooner.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 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

¹OJ No L 185, 9.7.1976, p.5.

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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

extending the arrangements applicable to trade with the Republic of Cyprus beyond the date of expiry of the first stage of the Association Agreement

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 the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus¹, including the Protocol laying down certain provisions relating to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus², expires on 30 June 1977;

Whereas negotiations are in progress for the conclusion of an additional protocol to the Association Agreement;

Whereas, pending the conclusion of that protocol, the arrangements which the Community applies to trade with Cyprus under the association with that country should be extended,

¹OJ No L 133, 21.5. 1973, p.2.

²OJ No L 133, 21.5. 1973, p.88.

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HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The trade arrangements provided for in the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus, including the Protocol laying down certain provisions relating to that Agreement consequent on the accession of new Member States to the Community but excluding the provisions of Articles 4, 10(1), 13 and 15 of the said Protocol, shall remain applicable in the Community beyond 30 June 1977 and until the entry into force of the additional protocol or until 31 December 1977, whichever is the sooner.

Article 2

For the products covered by Article 59(1) (b) of the Act
of Accession¹, the provisions

of Article 4 of the Protocol laying down certain provisions relating to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus shall remain applicable until 31 December 1977.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 July 1977.

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

For the Council

The President

¹OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p.14.

FICHE FINANCIERE

La présente proposition a pour objet de proroger les dispositions régissant la première étape des accords avec Malte et Chypre, en vigueur respectivement depuis 1971 et 1973.

Elle ne comporte aucune incidence financière nouvelle.