

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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## COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

temporarily suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff  
duties on certain agricultural products

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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. The subject of the following draft regulation is the temporary suspension of duties in the Common Customs Tariff for a number of agricultural items, as requested by the Member States.  
It is partly a prolongation and partly a new measure.
  
2. It seems appropriate to the Commission that a duty suspension is justified for the goods listed in the annex to this regulation.  
The Commission proposes a total suspension for those products for which Community production does not exist or is minimal. A partial suspension is proposed in cases where the Community production covers only a part of the requirements. The rate of the partially suspended duty depends on the extent of the possible Community supply to the Community users. The Commission is also looking for the right balance between the interests of the suppliers, users and the consumers in the Community.  
It also takes into account the need to protect employment.
  
3. The proposed measures are confined to six months because of the difficulties of estimating the evolution of the basic factors.
  
4. For a number of items for which the Member States also requested duty suspensions the Commission does not propose a tariff measure because the necessary conditions are not fulfilled. This concerned the following items :

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CCT heading No	Description of goods
ex 20.07 A II a)	<p>Pear juice of a value exceeding 22EUA per 100 kg net weight, for use in the manufacture of perry, meeting the following requirements :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) having               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) a specific gravity of not less than 1.36 at 15° C</li> <li>b) a total acidity expressed as malic acid of not less than 2.5 percent weight/volume</li> <li>c) a pH of not less than 3.9</li> </ol> </li> <li>2) containing not more than :               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) 0.2 mg/kg of arsenic</li> <li>b) 3 mg/kg of copper</li> <li>c) 10 mg/kg of iron</li> <li>d) 1 mg/kg of lead</li> <li>e) 100 mg/kg of sulphur dioxide</li> <li>f) 7.5 mg/kg of zinc</li> </ol> </li> <li>3) not containing :               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) pectic substances</li> <li>b) in 10 g of juice, micro-organism capable of growth on Scarr's osmophilic medium</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic  
Community, and in particular Article 28 thereof,

Having regard to the draft Regulation submitted by the Commission,

Whereas production of the products referred to in this Regulation  
is at present inadequate or non-existent within the Community and  
producers are thus unable to meet the needs of user industries ;

Whereas it is in the Community's interest in certain cases to  
suspend the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties only partially,  
chiefly because of Community production, and in other cases to  
suspend them completely ;

Whereas, in view of the difficulties involved in accurately  
assessing how the economic situation will develop in the sectors  
concerned in the near future, such suspensory measures should be  
taken only temporarily,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

From 1 January to 30 June 1980, the autonomous Common Customs Tariff  
duties for the products listed in the Annex to this Regulation shall  
be suspended at the level indicated in respect of each of them.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1980.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

## ANNEX

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Rate of autonomous duty (%)
03.01 A I b)	Salmon, fresh (live or dead), chilled or frozen	0
ex 03.01 B II a) and B II b) 7	Fillets of herring, fresh, chilled or frozen, intended for the processing(a)	0
ex 03.01 C	Soft roes, frozen, for the manufacture of deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA)(a)	0
03.02 A I a)	Herring, dried, salted or in brine, whole, headless or in pieces	0
ex 03.02 A I c)	Anchovies ( <i>Engraulis</i> sp.p), salted or in brine, whole, headless or in pieces, in packings of a net capacity of 8 kg or more	0
ex 03.02 A II d)	Fillets of herring, dried, salted or in brine	0
ex 16.04 B I	Salmon, intended for the processing industry for further manufacture into pastes or spreads(a)	0
ex 16.04 C II	Spiced and salted herrings, in packings of a net capacity of 10 kg or more	0
ex 16.04 C II	"Herring-flaps", prepared or preserved in vinegar, in packings of a net capacity of 10 kg or more	3
ex 16.05 A	Crabs of the 'King' ( <i>Paralithodes camtchaticus</i> ), 'Hanasaki' ( <i>Paralithodes Brevipes</i> ), 'Kegani' ( <i>Erimacrus isenbecki</i> ), and 'Queen' ( <i>Chionoecetes</i> sp.p.) varieties, etc.	0
ex 16.05 A	Crabs, excluding the species 'Cancer pagarus', simply boiled in water and shelled, whether or not frozen, in packings of a net capacity of 2 kg or more, for repacking for retail sale(a)	5
ex 16.05 B	Shrimps and prawns other than those of the 'Crangon' variety, boiled in water and shelled, whether or not frozen or dried, intended for the industrial manufacture of products falling within heading No 16.05(a)	10

(a) Control of the use for this special purpose shall be effected pursuant to the relevant Community provisions.

