

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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## COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

increasing the Community tariff quota opened for 1977  
by Regulation (EEC) No 3010/76, for raw silk (not thrown),  
falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff

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(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. By its Regulation (EEC) No 3010/76 of 9 December 1976<sup>\*</sup>, the Council opened and allocated among the Member States for 1977 a Community tariff quota for raw silk (not thrown), falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff, the initial total volume of which was fixed at 3 800 metric tons, based on estimates at the end of 1976.
2. The state of the market in raw silk and the quantities which need to be imported from third countries were again discussed at a meeting of the Economic Tariff Problems Group held on 27 September 1977. In this connection, it was noted that additional needs become apparent in the Community.
3. Forecasts have set these additional needs at about 400 metric tons up to the end of 1977.
4. This supplementary quota of 400 metric tons will be allocated to the reserve of 1 275 metric tons set up at the beginning of the year by the original Regulation.

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<sup>\*</sup> OJ No L 344 of 14 December 1976, p. 1.



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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, by Regulation (EEC) No 3010/76 of 9 December 1976 on the opening, allocation and administration of a Community tariff quota for raw silk (not thrown) falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff (1977)<sup>1</sup>, the Council opened and allocated among the Member States, for raw silk (not thrown) falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff, a zero-duty Community tariff quota of 3 800 tonnes;

Whereas, in view of the increased consumption in 1977, the quota of 3 800 tonnes will not be sufficient to meet requirements; whereas the quota should be increased by 400 tonnes to take into account these requirements; whereas, to safeguard the Community nature of the tariff quota in question, this additional amount should be allocated to the Community reserve set up by Article 2(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 3010/76,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Community tariff quota opened by Regulation (EEC) No 3010/76 for raw silk (not thrown), falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff, shall be increased from 3 800 to 4 200 tonnes.

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<sup>1</sup>OJ NO L 344, 14.12.1976, p. 1

Article 2

The said increase of 400 tonnes shall be allocated to the Community reserve provided for in Article 2(2) of (EEC) Regulation No 3010/76, which is thereby increased from 1 275 to 1 675 tonnes.

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