

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

extending the final date for review of the common rules for imports
from State-trading countries and for imports from the People's Republic
of China

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

At the end of 1980 the Commission had proposed to the Council¹ certain amendments to Regulation (EEC) No 926/79 on common rules for imports.

Bearing in mind the need to maintain the maximum degree of consistency in the rules and procedures applicable to imports from non-member countries generally and those applicable to imports from state-trading countries, the Commission had also proposed similar amendments to Regulation (EEC) No 925/79² on common rules for imports from state-trading countries.

Since then the Council's deliberations - which have been very difficult - have been entirely taken up with the review of Regulation (EEC) No 926/79 and examination of Regulation (EEC) No 925/79 has not yet begun. Accordingly, the Commission proposes to the Council that the time allowed for review be extended by six months.

The Commission reserves the right, moreover, to present to the Council at the appropriate time a proposal for amending Regulation (EEC) No 2532/78 on common rules for imports from the People's Republic of China.

A proposal for a Regulation for the purpose stated above is herewith presented for approval.

¹COM(80)904 final of 23 December 1980

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extending the final date for review of the common rules for imports from state-trading countries and for imports from the People's Republic of China

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the regulations establishing the common organization of agricultural markets and the regulations concerning processed agricultural products adopted in pursuance of Article 235 of the Treaty, and in particular the provisions of those regulations which allow derogation from the general principle that all quantitative restrictions or measures having equivalent effect may be replaced solely by the measures provided for in those same regulations,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Council has laid down, most recently in Regulation (EEC) No 925/79¹, common rules for imports from state-trading countries, including provisions on the liberalization of imports, on surveillance and on safeguards and, in Regulation (EEC) No 2532/78², common rules for imports from the People's Republic of China ;

Whereas Article 9(5) and Article 11(1) of those Regulations provide that the Council shall decide on the adjustments to be made to them;

Whereas the Commission presented for this purpose on 20 January 1981 a proposal for amending Regulation (EEC) No 925/79;

Whereas it has not been possible for the Council to examine this proposal;

Whereas in these circumstances the time allowed for review should be extended by six months,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

¹OJ No L 131, 29. 5.1979, p. 1

²OJ No L 306, 31.10.1978, p. 1

Article 1

In Article 9(5) and Article 11(1) of Regulations (EEC) Nos 925/79 and 2352/78 "31 December 1981" is hereby replaced by "30 June 1982".

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1982.

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

Brussels,

For the Council

The President
