

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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**PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DECISION
AUTHORIZING PROLONGATION OR TACIT RENEWAL OF
CERTAIN TRADE AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED BETWEEN
THE MEMBER STATES AND THIRD COUNTRIES**

(presented by the Commission to the Council)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. In implementation of Article 3 of the Council Decision of 16 December 1969 (1) on the progressive standardization of agreements concerning commercial relations between Member States and third countries and on negotiation of Community agreements, the Commission proposes to the Council that the Member States should be authorized to extend, expressly or tacitly, the trade agreements annexed to the attached proposal for a Council decision. The agreements in question constitute the fourth batch for 1980 and expire or are due to be terminated between 1 November 1980 and 31 January 1981.

The prior consultation specified in Article 2 of this Decision was executed by written procedure. The outcome was the recognition on 17 July 1980 that the conditions under which the agreements could be extended for a further year had been fulfilled.

2. The Commission considers it appropriate to point out, moreover, that the proposals for authorizing the Member States to renew or extend, expressly or tacitly, certain agreements in this batch for a further oneyear period are by no means indicative of any position it might adopt next time these agreements come up for renewal.

(1) OJ No L 326 of 29.12.1969, p. 39.

COUNCIL DECISION

authorizing prolongation or tacit renewal of
certain Trade Agreements concluded between
the Member States and third countries.

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 Council Decision 69/494/EEC of 16 December 1969 on the progressi standardization of Agreements concerning commercial relations between Member States and third countries and on the negotiations of Community Agreements (1), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas extension or tacit renewal beyond the end of the transitional period has already been authorized in the case of the Agreements and Protocols listed in the Annex to Council Decision 79/882/EEC (2);

Whereas the Member States concerned have, with a view to avoiding interruption in their commercial relations with the third countries concerned based on agreement, requested authorization to prolong or renew the abovementioned Agreements;

Whereas authorization has to be granted only to maintain such relations, until they are the subject of Community Agreements to be negotiated and such authorization should not, therefore, adversely affect the obligation incumbent upon the Member States to avoid, and where appropriate to eliminate, any incompatibility between such Agreements and the provisions of Community law;

Whereas the provisions of the instruments to be either prolonged or renewed would not, furthermore, during the period under consideration, constitute an obstacle to the implementation of the common commercial policy;

(1) OJ No. L 326, 29.12.1969, p. 39

(2) OJ No. L 272, 30.10.1979, p. 25.

Whereas the Member States concerned have declared that the prolongation or tacit renewal of these Agreements would not constitute an obstacle either to the opening of Community negotiations with the third countries concerned or to the transfer of the commercial fabric thereof to Community Agreements, nor would it, during the period under consideration, hinder the adoption of the measures necessary to complete the standardization of the import arrangements applied by the various Member States;

Whereas at the conclusion of the consultations provided for in Article 2 of Decision 69/494/EEC it was established, as the aforesaid declarations by the Member States confirm, that the provisions of the Agreements to be prolonged or renewed would not, during the period under consideration, constitute an obstacle to the implementation of the common commercial policy;

Whereas, in these circumstances, the Agreements concerned may be either extended or tacitly renewed for a limited period,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Trade Agreements and Protocols between Member States and third countries listed in the Annex hereto may be prolonged or tacitly renewed up to the dates specified in each case in the Annex.

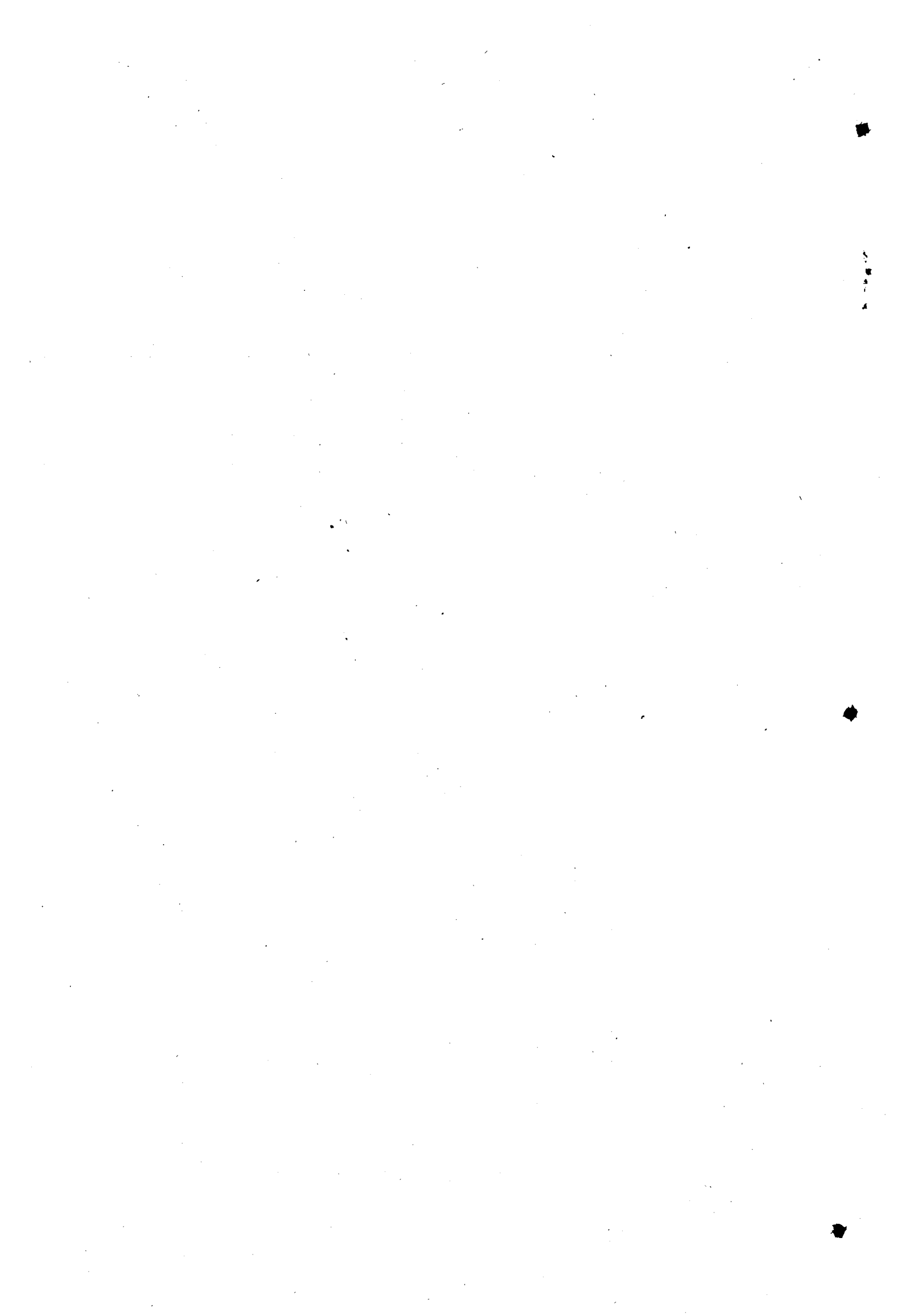
Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at

For the Council

The President



BILAG - ANHANG - ANNEX - ANNEXE - ALLEGATO - BIJLAGE

Medlemsstat	Tredjeland	Aftalens art og datering	Udløb efter forlængelse eller videreførelse	
Mitgliedstaat	Drittland	Art und Datum des Abkommens	Ablauf nach Verlängerung	
Member-State	Third country	Type and date of Agreement	Extended until	
Etat membre	Pays tiers	Nature et date de l'accord	Echéance après reconduction	
Stato membro	Paese terzo	Natura e data dell'accordo	Scadenza dopo il rinnovo	
Lid-Staat	Derde land	Aard en datum van het akkoord	Vervaldatum na verlenging	
BENELUX	Autriche	Accord commercial	29.06.1957	31.03.1982
	Espagne	Accord commercial	02.06.1960	14.04.1982
	Norvège	Accord commercial	28.05.1957	30.04.1982
	Suède	Accord commercial	27.04.1957	28.02.1982
	Suisse	Accord commercial et échange de notes	21.06.1957 05.05.1961	31.03.1982
	Tunisie	Accord commercial	01.08.1958	31.03.1982
DANMARK	Island	Vareudvekslingsaftale	04.06.1948	31.12.1981
	Norge	Vareudvekslingsoverenskomst og tillægsprotokol hertil	30.03.1946 02.08.1966	31.12.1981
	Schweiz	Vareudvekslingsaftale	15.09.1951	31.12.1981
	Sverige	Vareudvekslingsoverenskomst	11.03.1948	31.01.1982
DEUTSCHLAND	Indonesien	Handelsabkommen vom	22.04.1953	31.03.1982
	Spanien	Handelsabkommen vom	20.06.1960	30.04.1982
	Südkorea	Handelsabkommen vom	08.04.1965	07.04.1982
FRANCE	Afrique du Sud (1)	Echange de lettres	18.04.1964	31.12.1981
	Corée du Sud	Echange de lettres	12.03.1963	31.03.1982
	Inde (1)	Accord commercial et échange de lettres	19.10.1959	31.12.1981
	Irak	Accord commercial	25.09.1967	25.03.1982
	Liban	Accord commercial	25.03.1955	10.04.1982

IRELAND	Austria	Trade Agreement concluded by exchange of notes	06.10.1950	31.12.1981
	Finland	Trade Agreement	01.06.1951	31.12.1981
	Iceland	Trade Agreement	02.12.1950	31.12.1981
	Sweden	Trade Agreement	25.06.1949	31.12.1981
ITALIA	Corea del Sud	Accordo commerciale	09.03.1965	08.03.1982
	El Salvador	Accordo commerciale	30.03.1953	31.03.1982
		Protocollo addizionale	21.12.1955	
	Indonesia	Accordo commerciale	23.03.1951	31.03.1982
	Iran	Scambio di note	29.01.1958	09.02.1982
			23.03.1961	
	Israele	Accordo commerciale	05.03.1954	31.03.1982
		Scambio di lettere	05.01.1956	
		Processi verbali	21.10.1956 11.02.1964	
	Iugoslavia	Accordo commerciale	01.07.1967	31.12.1981
		Protocollo e scambio di note successivo	30.04.1969	
	Norvegia	Accordo commerciale	20.05.1953	31.03.1982
		Protocollo	31.08.1959	
Scambio di note		10.05.1962		
Repubblica dominicana	Accordo commerciale	18.02.1954	11.03.1982	
NEDERLAND	Finland	Handelsakkoord	08.12.1956	31.03.1982

(1) Prorogation par échange de notes.