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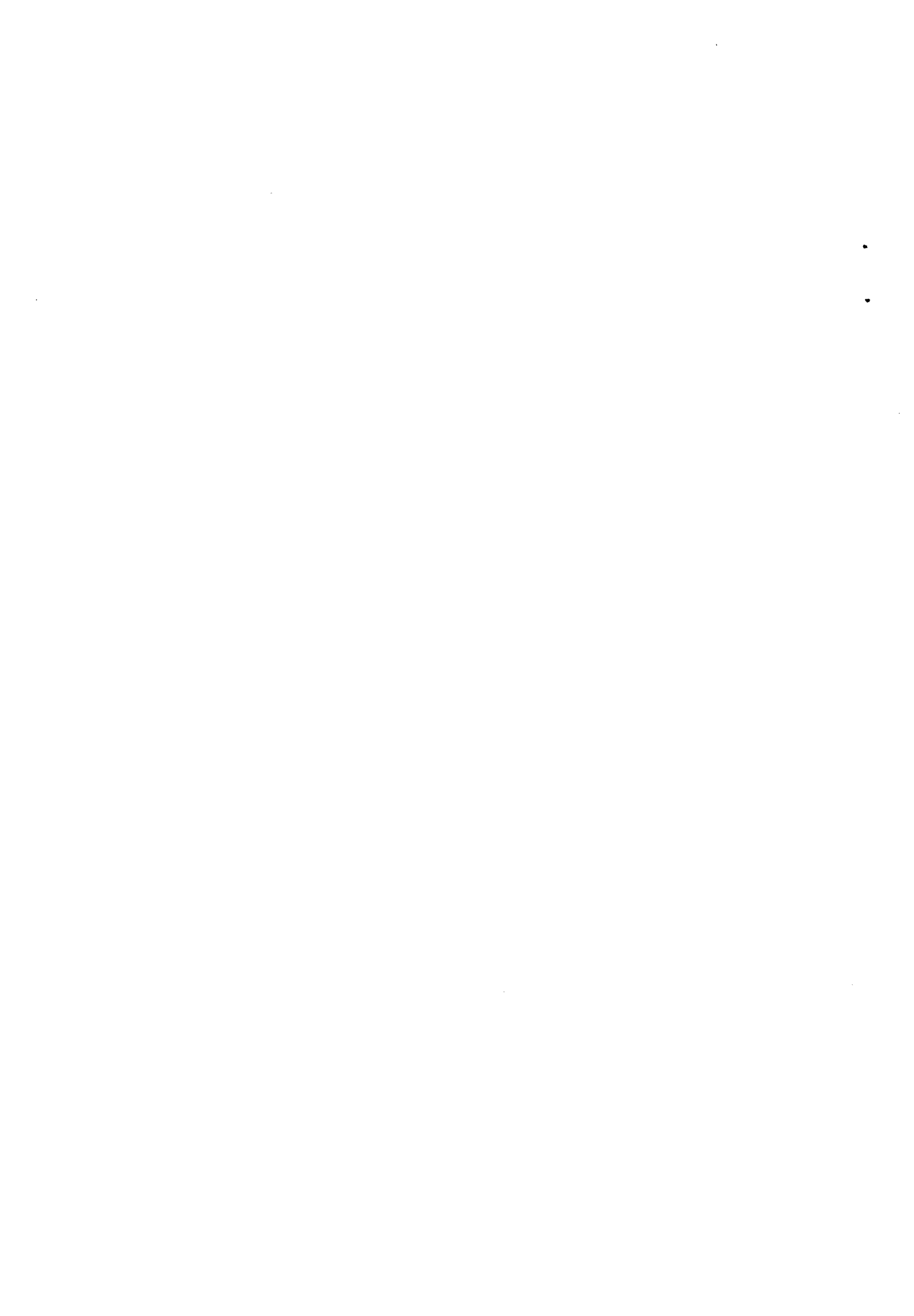
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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)
on the total or partial suspension of Common Customs Tariff duties
on certain agricultural products originating in Turkey (1983)

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. The Additional Protocol and the Supplementary Protocol concluded by the Community with Turkey provide for certain partial or total suspensions for agricultural products mentioned in Chapter 1 - 24 of the Common Customs Tariff.

Furthermore, the Council has decided that as from 1 January 1974 Turkey should not be treated less favourably than the countries and territories benefiting from generalised tariff preferences.

2. The proposal for a regulation is aimed at securing implementation of these decisions. They extend to Turkey for 1983 on an autonomous basis, the total or partial suspensions of duties proposed by the Commission under the generalised tariff preference scheme, these suspensions would, however, be confined to the products mentioned in Chapters 1 - 24, in respect of which no provision is made for more favourable treatment in the agreements with Turkey.

3. It is pointed out that :

- the proposal for a regulation is based on the interim Agreement whose period of validity extend until the entry into force of the Supplementary Protocol;
- the enacting terms of the regulation and the list of products in annex to it are based on the one hand on the proposal forwarded by the Commission to the Council concerning generalised tariff preferences for the agricultural products mentioned in Chapters 1 - 24.

This proposal would therefore have to be amended should the Supplementary Protocol comes into force and will have to be harmonized with the final text of the regulation on suspensions under the generalised preference scheme when this has been adopted by the Council.

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3033/80 of 11 November 1980 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, under Annex 6 of the Additional Protocol laying down the conditions, procedures and timetables for implementing the transitional phase pursuant to Article 4 of the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and Turkey, and under Article 1 of the Interim Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey consequent on the accession of new Member States to the Community, the Community must totally or partially suspend the Common Customs Tariff duties applicable to certain products; whereas it also appears necessary on a provisional basis to adjust or supplement some of the advantages provided for in the abovementioned Annex 6; whereas the Community should therefore, with regard to the products originating in Turkey contained in the list annexed to this Regulation, suspend until 31 December 1983 either the fixed component of the charge applicable to the goods coming under Regulation (EEC) No 3033/80 or the customs duty applicable to the other products, at the levels indicated for each of them;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 119 of the 1979 Act of Accession, the Council adopted Regulation (EEC) No 3555/80 of 16 December 1980 determining the arrangements to be applied with regard to imports into Greece, originating in Algeria, Israel, Malta, Morocco, Portugal, Syria, Tunisia or Turkey⁽²⁾; whereas as a result this Regulation applies to the Community of Nine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. From 1 January until 31 December 1983 the products originating in Turkey listed in the Annex shall be admitted for import into the Community of Nine at the customs duties indicated for each of them.

2. For the purposes of application of this Regulation, 'originating products' shall mean those products which fulfil the conditions laid down in Association Council Decision No 4/72 of 29 December 1972 annexed to Regulation (EEC) No 428/73⁽³⁾, as amended by Decision No 1/75 of 26 May 1975 annexed to Regulation (EEC) No 1431/75⁽⁴⁾.

The methods of administrative cooperation which ensure that the products listed in the Annexes benefit from the total or partial suspension shall be those laid down in Association Council Decision No 5/72 of 29 December 1972 annexed to Regulation (EEC) No 428/73, as last amended by Decision No 1/78 of 18 July 1978 annexed to Regulation (EEC) No 2152/78⁽⁵⁾.

Article 2

When the imports of products benefiting from the arrangements provided for in Article 1 come into the Community in quantities or at prices which cause or threaten to cause serious loss to the Community producers of similar products or directly competitive products, the Common Customs Tariff duties may be partially or wholly reintroduced for the products in question. These measures may also be taken in the event of serious loss or the threat of serious loss limited to a single region of the Community.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 323, 29. 11. 1980, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 382, 31. 12. 1980, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 59, 5. 3. 1973, p. 73.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 142, 4. 6. 1975, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 253, 15. 9. 1978, p. 1.

Article 3

1. In order to ensure the application of Article 2, the Commission may decide by means of a Regulation to reintroduce Common Customs Tariff duties for a limited period.

2. Where the Commission has been requested by a Member State to take action it shall take a decision within a maximum period of 10 working days from receipt of the request and shall inform the Member States of the action taken.

3. Any Member State may refer the Commission's action to the Council, within a period of 10 working

days following the day of its notification. The intervention of the Council shall not have a suspensory effect. The Council shall meet without delay. It may by a qualified majority amend or annul the measure taken.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 January 1983.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

List of products falling within Chapters 1 to 24 originating in Turkey
for which there are grounds for total or partial suspension of the
Common Customs Tariff

CCT heading No	Description	Rate of duty
06.03	Cut flowers and flower buds of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes, fresh, dried, dyed, bleached, impregnated or otherwise prepared : ex B. Other : - Cut flowers, not further prepared than dried	5 %
07.01	Vegetables, fresh or chilled : ex T. Other : - Okra (Hibiscus esculentus L. or Abelmoschus esculentus (L.) Moench); Moringa oleifera (Drumsticks) - Aubergines, from 1 to 14 January	free 9 %
07.02	Vegetables (whether or not cooked), prepared by freezing : ex B. Other : - Okra (Hibiscus esculentus L. or Abelmoschus esculentus (L.) Moench)	free

CCT heading No	Description	Rate of duty
07.03	Vegetables provisionally preserved in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions, but not specially prepared for immediate consumption: ex E. Other vegetables: — Okra (<i>Hibiscus esculentus</i> L. or <i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i> (L.) Moench)	Free
07.04	Dried, dehydrated or evaporated vegetables, whole, cut, sliced, broken or in powder but not further prepared: ex B. Other: — Horse-radish (<i>Cochlearia armoracia</i>) — Okra (<i>Hibiscus esculentus</i> L. or <i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i> (L.) Moench)	Free Free
08.01	Dates, bananas, coconuts, Brazil nuts, cashew nuts, pineapples, avocados, mangoes, guavas and mangosteens, fresh or dried, shelled or not: ex B. Bananas: — Dried	2%
ex 08.09	Other fruit, fresh: — Rose-hips fruit — Watermelons, from 1 November to 31 March	Free 6.5%
08.10	Fruit (whether or not cooked), preserved by freezing, not containing added sugar:	

CCT heading No	Description	Rate of duty
08.10 (cont'd)	ex D. Other: -- Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.02 D, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons -- Rose-hips fruit	7% free
08.11	Fruit provisionally preserved (for example, by sulphur dioxide gas, in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions), but unsuitable in that state for immediate consumption: C. Papaws D. Bilberries (fruit of the <i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>) ex E. Other: -- Quinces -- Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.02 D, 08.08 B and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	Free 3% 4% Free
15.04	Fats and oils, of fish and marine mammals, whether or not refined: A. Fish-liver oil: 1. Of a vitamin A content not exceeding 2 500 international units per gram	Free

CCI heading No	Description	Rate of duty
18.06	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa: A. Cocoa powder, not otherwise sweetened than by the addition of sucrose C. Chocolate and chocolate goods, whether or not filled; sugar confectionary and substitutes therefor made from sugar substitution products, containing cocoa	3 % + vc 8 % + vc with a max. of 27 % + ads
19.02	Malt extract; preparation of flour, meal, starch or malt extract, of a kind used as infant food or for dietetic or culinary purposes, containing less than 50 % by weight of cocoa: B. Other: ex II. Other: — Preparations based on flour of leguminous vegetables in the form of sun-dried discs of dough, known as 'papad'	Free
ex 19.04	Tapioca and sago, excluding tapioca and sago substitutes obtained from potato or other starches	4 % + vc
20.02	Vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid: ex H. Other, including mixtures: — Moringa oleifera (Drumsticks)	Free
20.03	Fruit preserved by freezing, containing added sugar: ex A. With a sugar content exceeding 13 % by weight: — Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.02 D, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons ex B. Other: — Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.02 D, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	10 % + (L) 10 %
20.04	Fruit, fruit-peel and parts of plants, preserved by sugar (drained, glacé or crystallized): B. Other: ex I. With a sugar content exceeding 13 % by weight:	

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20.04 (cont'd)	B. ex I. — Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.02 D, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	6 % + (L)
	ex II. Other:	
	— Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.02 D, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	6 %
20.05	Jams, fruit jellies, marmalades, fruit purée and fruit pastes, being cooked preparations, whether or not containing added sugar:	
	C. Other:	
	I. With a sugar content exceeding 30 % by weight:	
	ex b) Other:	
	— Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	11 % + (L)
	ex II. With a sugar content exceeding 13 % but not exceeding 30 % by weight:	
	— Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	11 % + (L)
	ex III. Other:	
	— Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	11 %
20.06	Fruit, otherwise prepared or preserved, whether or not containing added sugar or spirit:	
	B. Other:	
	I. Containing added spirit:	
	a) Ginger	10 %
	b) Pineapples, in immediate packings of a net capacity:	
	1. Of more than 1 kg:	
	aa) With a sugar content exceeding 17 % by weight	10 % + (L)
	bb) Other	10 %
	2. Of 1 kg or less:	
	aa) With a sugar content exceeding 19 % by weight	10 % + (L)
	bb) Other	10 %
	II. Not containing added spirit:	
	a) Containing added sugar, in immediate packings of a net capacity of more than 1 kg:	
	ex 8. Other fruits:	
	— Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	7 % + (L)

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20.06 (cont'd)	B. II. a) ex 8. — Tamarind (pods, pulp)	7 % + (L)
	b) Containing added sugar, in immediate packings of a net capacity of 1 kg or less: ex 8. Other fruits: — Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	8 % + (L)
	c) Not containing added sugar, in immediate packings of a net capacity: 1. Of 4·5 kg or more: ex dd) Other fruits: — Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	7 %
	2. Of less than 4·5 kg: ex bb) Other fruit and mixtures of fruit: — Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons	7 %

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20.07	<p>Fruit juices (including grape must) and vegetable juices, whether or not containing added sugar, but unfermented and not containing spirit:</p> <p>A. Of a specific gravity exceeding 1.33 at 15 °C:</p> <p>III. Other:</p> <p>ex a) Of a value exceeding 30 ECU per 100 kg net weight:</p> <p> -- Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons</p> <p>b) Of a value not exceeding 30 ECU per 100 kg net weight:</p> <p> ex 1. With an added sugar content exceeding 30 % by weight:</p> <p> -- Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons</p> <p> ex 2. Other:</p> <p> -- Fruit falling within heading Nos 08.01, 08.08 B, E and F and 08.09, excluding pineapples, melons and watermelons</p>	<p>14 %</p> <p>14 % + (L)</p> <p>14 %</p>

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21.07	Food preparations not elsewhere specified or included: A. Cereals in grain or ear form, pre-cooked or otherwise prepared: I. Maize II. Rice III. Other	3 % + vc 4 % + vc 4 % + vc

