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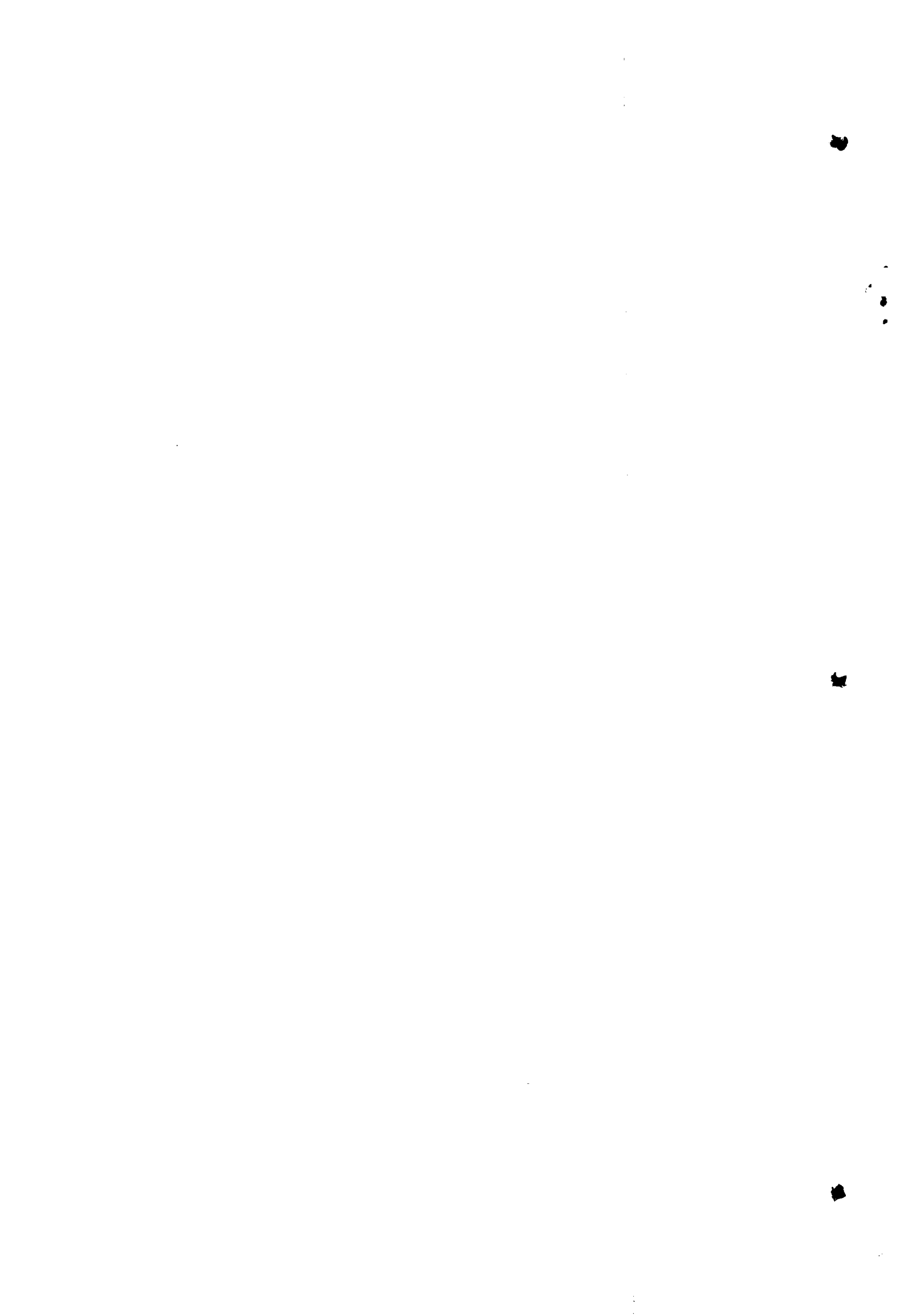
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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)
extending the arrangements applicable to trade with the Republic of Cyprus
beyond the date of expiry of the first stage of the Association Agreement

(presented by the Commission to the Council)

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Commission Communication to the Council

The purpose of the annexed proposal for a regulation is to extend unilaterally until 31 March 1980 the arrangements applicable to trade between the European Economic Community and Cyprus, which are scheduled to expire on 31 December 1979, pending the conclusion of the negotiations for a transitional protocol to the Association Agreement.

The Commission recommends that the Council adopt the regulation as soon as possible so as to enable it to enter into force on 1 January 1980.

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stage of the Association Agreement

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,
and in particular Articles 43 and 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament,

Whereas the provisions of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement
establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and
the Republic of Cyprus¹, of the Supplementary Protocol to that Agreement²
and of the Protocol laying down certain provisions relating to trade in
agricultural products between the European Economic Community and the
Republic of Cyprus³, expire at the end of the first stage of the Association
Agreement on 31 December 1979;

Whereas pending the negotiation of a transitional protocol to the Asso-
ciation Agreement the arrangements applied by the Community to trade
with the Republic of Cyprus in the context of the Association with that
country should be extended,

¹OJ No L 339, 28.12.1977, p. 1.

²OJ No L 172, 28.6.1978, p. 1.

³OJ No L 172, 28.6.1978, p. 10.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The trade arrangements instituted by the Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus, including the Supplementary Protocol to that Agreement, shall continue to be applicable in the Community after 31 December 1979 until 31 March 1980.

Article 2

The products listed below originating in Cyprus and imported into the Community shall be admitted at the rates of customs duties applicable under the Common Customs Tariff reduced by the percentage indicated for each of them :

CCT heading N°	Description	Rate of reduction (%)
07.01	Vegetables, fresh or chilled :	
	A. Potatoes :	
	II. New potatoes :	
	a) From 1 January to 15 May	
	- from 1 January to 31 March	60
	G. Carrots, turnips, salad beetroot, salsify, celeriac, radishes and similar edible roots:	
	ex II. Carrots and turnips:	
	- Carrots :	
	- From 1 January to 31 March	60
	ex S. Sweet peppers :	
	- from 1 January to 31 March	50 a)

(a) Within the limits of a Community tariff quota of 65 tonnes.

Article 3

1. From 1 January to 31 March 1980, the Common Customs Tariff duty for sweet peppers falling within subheading 07.01 S of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Cyprus, shall be suspended at 4,5% within the limits of a Community tariff quota of 65 tonnes.
2. The volume of the tariff quota referred to in paragraph 1 shall constitute a reserve.
3. If the need should arise for the products in question in a Member State, the latter shall draw an appropriate share from the reserve, providing that the size of the reserve so permits.
4. The shares drawn pursuant to paragraph 3 shall be valid until 31 March 1980.

Article 3 a

1. The Member States shall take all measures necessary to ensure that additional shares drawn pursuant to Article 3 are opened in such a way that imports may be charged without interruption against their accumulated shares of the Community quota.
2. The Member States shall ensure that importers of the products in question established in their territory have free access to the shares allocated to them.
3. The Member States shall charge imports of the said goods against their shares as and when the goods are entered with the customs authorities for free circulation.

4. The extent to which a Member State has used up its share shall be determined on the basis of the imports charged in accordance with the conditions set out in paragraph 3.

Article 3 b

At the request of the Commission, Member States shall inform it of imports actually charged against their shares.

Article 3 c

The Member States and the Commission shall cooperate closely in order to ensure compliance with the articles 3, 3a and 3b.

Article 4

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

It shall apply with effect from 1 January 1980.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council,

The President.

1. Ligne budgétaire concernée : Titre I "Ressources propres"

2. Intitulé de l'action : Prorogation du régime applicable aux échanges commerciaux avec Chypre

3. Base juridique : article 43 et 113 du Traité CEE

4. Objectifs de l'action : le régime commercial entre la Communauté et Chypre à partir du 1er janvier 1980 et jusqu'au 31 mars 1980.

5. Incidences financières : exercice 1980

5. 1. Recettes

- ressources propres CE
(prélèvement/droits de douane) néant

5. 2. Mode de calcul

- La prorogation du régime commercial avec Chypre n'implique aucune diminution nouvelle des recettes puisqu'elle aura seulement pour objet de proroger jusqu'au 31 mars 1980 le régime des échanges appliqué actuellement entre la Communauté et ce pays dans l'attente de l'entrée en vigueur d'un protocole transitoire à l'accord d'association.
