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REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations

on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-663/81) for

- I. a regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 217/81 opening a Community tariff quota for high quality fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II a) and 02.01 A II (b) of the Common Customs Tariff
- II. a regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 218/81 opening a Community tariff quota for frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II (b) 4 (bb) 33 of the Common Customs Tariff

Rapporteur: Mr H.-J. SEELER

By letter of 23 October 1981 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the EEC Treaty, to deliver an opinion on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council

- opening a Community tariff quota for high quality fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II (a) and 02.01 A II (b) of the Common Customs Tariff;
- amending Regulation No 218/81 opening a Community tariff quota for frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II (b) 4 (bb) of the Common Customs Tariff.

The President of the European Parliament referred these proposals to the Committee on External Economic Relations as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Budgets for its opinion.

On 27 November 1981 the Committee on External Economic Relations appointed Mr SEELER rapporteur.

It considered this proposal at its meeting of 2 December 1981 and adopted the motion for a resolution the explanatory statement unanimously with 1 abstention.

Present: Sir Frederick CATHERWOOD, chairman; Mrs WIECZOREK-ZEUL, first vice-chairman; Mr SEELER, rapporteur; Mr ALMIRANTE, Mrs LENZ, Mr MAJONICA, Mrs MOREAU, Mr NIKOLAOU, Lord O'HAGAN, Mr PESMAZOGLOU, Mr RADOUX, Mr RIEGER, Sir John STEWART-CLARK, Sir Frederick WARNER, Mr WELSH, Mr AIGNER (deputizing for Mr LEMMER), Mr COHEN (deputizing for Mr HÄNSCH), Mr LAGAKOS (deputizing for Mr PELIKAN), Mrs PRUVOT (deputizing for Mr IRMER).

The Committee on External Economic Relations decided to follow the procedure without debate pursuant to Rule 34 of the European Parliament's Rules of Procedure.

The opinion of the Committee on Budgets is attached.

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The Committee on External Economic Relations hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution together with explanatory statement:

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a regulation amending Regulation No 217/81 opening a Community tariff quota for high quality fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II (a) and 02.01 A II (b) of the Common Customs Tariff;
- II. a regulation amending Regulation No 218/81 opening a Community tariff quota for frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II (b) 4 (bb) 33 of the Common Customs Tariff;

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(81) 553 final)¹,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the Treaty (Doc. 1-663/81),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 1-842/81),
- 1. Approves the proposals for a regulation in question.

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The proposals for a regulation in question are essentially technical in that they take account of agreements reached in the context of GATT for the importation of certain types of fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal and of frozen buffalo meat.

These proposals were drawn up for the most part by the Commission with a view to extending the current arrangements for importing the goods in question in 1982 and subsequent years.

Seeing that their purpose is to extend a system which is already in operation and whose application has caused no major problems to date, we feel that we can approve the proposals for a regulation in question.

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGETS

Letter from the committee chairman to Sir Frederick CATHERWOOD, chairman of the Committee on External Economic Relations

Brussels, 2 December 1981

Subject: Proposals for

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(Doc. 1-663/81)

Dear Sir Frederick,

The Committee on Budgets considered the abovementioned amendments to proposals for regulations at its meeting of 2 December 1981.

According to figures given in the Commission's financial statement, the likely reduction in Community own resources amounts to at most 56 m ECU for both regulations.

The Committee on Budgets approved both proposals.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) Erwin LANGE

Present: Mr Lange, chairman; Mr Notenboom, vice-chairman; Mr Ansquer, Mr Arndt, Mr Balfe, Mr Dankert, Mr Flanagan, Mr Forth (deputizing for Mr Howell), Mr Georgiadis, Mrs Hoff, Mr R. Jackson, Mr Kellett-Bowman, Mr Langes, Mr Megahy (deputizing for Mr Cluskey), Mr Price and Mr Saby.



