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drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 18/73) for a regulation amending regulation (EEC) Nr 2829/72 of the Council on the Community Quota for the transport of goods by road between Member States

Rapporteur: Mr P. GIRAUD

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By letter of 27 March 1973 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament pursuant to Article 75 of the LEC Treaty to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Communities of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation amending regulation (EEC) To. 2829/72 of the Council on the Community quota for the transport of goods by road between Member States. (Doc. 18/73).

In his letter the President of the Council stressed the urgency of this matter.

At the European Parliament's sitting of 4 April 1973 this proposal was referred to the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport.

The Committee appointed Mr Giraud rapporteur on 11 April 1973.

At its meeting of 23 May 1973 the Committee considered the proposal and adopted the motion for a resolution and explanatory statement unanimously with one abstention.

The following were present:

Mr James HILL, Chairman; Mr KOLLWELTER and Mr SEEFELD, Vice-Chairmen; Mr GIRAUD, rapporteur; Mr AIGNER, Mr BEYLOT (deputizing for Mr BOUSQUET), Mr BERTRAND (deputizing for Mr PÊTRE), Lord BRECON, Mr COLIN, Mr DELMOTTE, Mr DURIEUX, Mr EISMA, Mr FABBRINI, Mr GULDBERG, Mr Van der GUN, Mr HERBERT, Mr JARROT, Mr JOHNSTON, Mr LIOGIER, Mr MITTERDORFER, Mr MURSCH, Mr NOE, Mr POUNDER, Mr SCHWABE.

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The Committee on Regional Policy and Transport 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 proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation amending regulation (EEC) No. 2829/72 of the Council on the Community quota for the transport of goods by road between Member States.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council, (Doc. COM(73) 198 final),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 18/73).
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 81/73).
- 1. Regrets that the number of community authorizations was not fixed within the time set, that is by 31 March 1973;
- 2. Approves the proposal of the Commission;
- 3. Requests the Council to adopt the amending regulation by the middle of the year;
- 4. Requests the Council to adjust the number of Community authorizations in the light of experience during the first period of application;
- 5. Stresses that the final arrangement must enter into force on 1 January 1975 and that after this date Community quotas must progressively replace bilateral quotas;
- 6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the Committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

- 1. The purpose of this proposal is to fix the Community quota for 1973 and 1974 and its division between the nine Member States.
- 2. Although your committee would have liked greater emphasis to be placed on the existing utilization of authorizations in the case of the original Member States, the present solution can on the whole be regarded as equitable.
- 3. The overall development of the Community quota is as follows:

Member State	1969-1972	1973	1974	
Belgium	161	101	221	
Denmark	161 -	191 120	221 141	
France	286	313	341	
Germany	286	321	356	
Ireland	-	36	42	
Italy	194	230	266	
Luxembourg	33	45	58	
Netherlands	240	279	318	
United Kingdom	-	193	227	
Community quota	1,200	1,728	1,970	

4. Your committee hopes that good results will continue to be achieved on this basis, so that the Community can progress as soon as possible to the planned systematic extension of the Community quota and to the simultaneous abolition of bilateral quotas.

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