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drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External Economic Relations

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 222/73) for a regulation/opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for fresh or dried hazelnuts, shelled or not, falling within subheading ex 08.05 G of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Turkey

Rapporteur : Mr C. de la MALÈNE
Chairman of the committee

PE 34.709/fin.

By letter of 7 November 1973 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 proposal from the Commission of the European Communities for a regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for fresh or dried hazelnuts, shelled or not, falling within subheading ex 08.05 G of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Turkey.

On 12 November 1973, the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on External Economic Relations as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Agriculture for its opinion.

The Committee on External Economic Relations appointed Mr C. de la MALENE rapporteur on 6 November 1973.

It discussed the proposal at its meeting of 6 November 1973 and unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution.

The following were present: Mr de la Malène, Chairman and rapporteur; Mr Boano, Vice-Chairman, Mr Baas, Mr Bangemann, Sir Tufton Beamish, Mr Brégégère, Mr Dunne, Mr Kaspereit, Mr de Koning, Mr Lange, Mr Ligios, Lord Mansfield, Sir John Peel, Mr Schulz and Mr Thiry.

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

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 opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for fresh or dried hazelnuts, shelled or not, falling within subheading ex 08.05 G of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Turkey.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities (Doc. COM(73) 1799 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the EEC Treaty, by urgent procedure (Doc. 222/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 227/73) and the opinion of the Committee on Agriculture;

1. Approves the proposal from the Commission;
2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Strasbourg, 12 November 1973

Mr Christian de la Malène
Chairman of the Committee on
External Economic Relations

Europe House

STRASBOURG

Dear Mr Chairman,

The Committee on Agriculture has been asked to deliver an opinion on a proposal for a regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for fresh or dried hazelnuts, shelled or not, falling within subheading ex 08.05 G of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Turkey (COM (73) 1799 fin.).

The purpose of the proposal is to open a Community quota of 21,700 metric tons for the period from 1 January to 31 December 1974.

The Common Customs Tariff duty rate on the quantity covered by the tariff quota will be 2.5%, representing a 37.5% reduction on the normal rate of 40%.

The new Member States are subject to special provisions which take account of the duty rates levied by them before their accession on imports from third countries and of the need for some correlation between the reductions allowed by the founder Member States of the Community and those granted by the new Member States.

This proposal simply implements the basic regulation on which the Committee on Agriculture has already delivered a favourable opinion to the Committee on External Economic Relations (see Vetrone opinion: PE 33.784).

This being so, the Committee on Agriculture has instructed me to inform you that it has unanimously¹ agreed to deliver a favourable opinion on the present text.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) Roger HOUDET

¹ The following voted on the opinion:
Mr HOUDET, Chairman, Mr VETRONE, Vice-Chairman and rapporteur,
Mr BRUGGER, Mr CIPOLLA, Mr FREHSEE, Mr HEGER, Mr John HILL,
Mr de KONING, Mr LABAN, Miss LULLING, Mr MARTENS, Lord St. OSWALD,
Mr SCOTT-HOPKINS and Mr VERNASCHI