

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

increasing the Community tariff quota opened by Regulation (EEC)
No 964/78 for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II
of the Common Customs Tariff

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. By its Regulation (EEC) No 964/78 of 8 May 1978¹, the Council opened and allocated among the Member States for the period from 1/7/1978 to 30/6/1979 a Community tariff quota for certain eels, falling within subheading No ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff, the initial total volume of which was fixed at 6 100 tonnes, based on estimates for the first six months of 1978.
2. The state of the market in eels and the quantities which need to be imported from third countries were again discussed at a meeting of the Economic Tariff Problems Group held on 28 February 1979. In this connection, it was noted that additional needs, according to the forecasts put forward by the Member States, have been set at about 1 300 tonnes up to 30/6/1979.
3. This supplementary quota of 1 300 tonnes is allocated to the Community reserve of 1 200 tonnes set up at the beginning of the quota period by the original Regulation.

¹OJ No L 125 of 13 May 1978, p. 1.

