COUNCIL DECISION

of 4 June 1973

on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters renewing the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part

(73/258/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof;

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission;

Whereas it is appropriate to extend the validity of the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part, for a renewable period of one year, in accordance with Article XII thereof;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters renewing the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part, signed at Brussels on 21 May 1965, shall be concluded on behalf of the Community. The text of the exchange of letters is annexed to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate those persons empowered to sign the Agreement and to confer on them the necessary powers to bind the Community.

Done at Luxembourg, 4 June 1973.

For the Council
The President
R. VAN ELSLANDE

AGREEMENT
in the form of an Exchange of Letters renewing the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part

Brussels,

Your Excellency,

We would refer to Article XII of the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part, signed at Brussels on 21 May 1965, and have the honour to inform you on behalf of the European Economic Community and of the Member States that the Council of the European Communities and the Governments of the Member States have agreed to a further extension of the validity of the aforesaid Agreement for a period of one year from 1 July 1973.

The Council of the European Communities will notify the Government of the Lebanese Republic of the completion of the internal procedures necessary, both within the European Economic Community and within the Member States, for the entry into force of this extension Agreement.

This Agreement will enter into force on the first day of the month following the month of such notification.

The Council of the European Communities and the Governments of the Member States hereby declare that they are prepared to apply this Agreement provisionally, each for its part and in accordance with its own arrangements, with effect from 1 July 1973, on condition that the Government of the Lebanese Republic make a similar declaration.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of our highest consideration.

On behalf of the Council

of the European Communities

His Excellency

Mr
Ambassador

Head of the Delegation of the Lebanese Republic to the European Communities

Brussels,

Sirs,

In your letter of ..... you were so good as to make, on behalf of the European Economic Community and of the Governments of the Member States, the following communication:

'We would refer to Article XII of the Agreement on Trade and Technical Co-operation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part, signed at Brussels on 21 May 1965, and have the honour to inform you on behalf of the European Economic Community and of the Memebr States that the Council of the European Communities and the Governments of the Member States have agreed to a further extension of the validity of the aforesaid Agreement for a period of one year from 1 July 1973.

The Council of the European Communities will notify the Government of the Lebanese Republic of the completion of the internal procedures necessary, both within the European Economic Community and within the Member States, for the entry into force of this extension Agreement.

The Agreement will enter into force on the first day of the month following the month of such notification.

The Council of the European Communities and the Governments of the Member States hereby declare that they are prepared to apply this Agreement provisionally, each for its part and in accordance with its own arrangements, with effect from 1 July 1973, on condition that the Government of the Lebanese Republic make a similar declaration.'

I have the honour, on behalf of the Government of the Lebanese Republic, to inform you that the latter also agrees that the validity of the said Agreement be extended for a period of one year and that it hereby declares that it is prepared to apply provisionally, for its part and in accordance with its own arrangements, this extension Agreement with effect from 1 July 1973.

Please accept, Sirs, the assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Government of

the Republic of the Lebanon

The Council of the

European Communities

Translation

Letter from Ambassador Ulrich Lebsanft to the Contracting Parties on signing the Agreement by Exchange of Letters renewing the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part

The Permanent Representative

of the Federal Republic of Germany

to the European Communities

Brussels, 21 June 1973.

Your Excellency,

With reference to the Exchange of Letters signed today renewing the Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation, I have the honour to inform you of the following on behalf of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany:

The Agreement on Trade and Technical Cooperation between the European Economic Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Lebanese Republic, of the other part, which was renewed by today's Exchange of Letters, shall remain valid for the Land of Berlin, unless the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany makes a declaration to the contrary *vis-à-vis* the remaining parties to the Agreement within three months after the entry into force of the renewed Agreement.

I have made a similar statement to the representatives of the remaining parties to the Agreement.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

LEBSANFT