COMMISSION DECISION

of 1 August 1973

autonomously increasing imports into the Community of cotton textiles forming the subject of the trade agreement between the EEC and India on cotton textiles

(73/269/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1471/70 [1] of 20 July 1970 establishing a common procedure for the autonomous increase of imports into the Community of products subject to measures of voluntary restraint by exporting countries;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1023/70 [2] of 25 May 1970 establishing a common procedure for administering quantitative quotas, and in particular Article 11 thereof;

Whereas on 12 March 1971 the Community concluded a trade agreement with India on cotton textiles;

Whereas that agreement provides for the voluntary restraint of Indian exports at a level agreed upon between the two parties;

Whereas by the Commission Decisions of 8 March 1973 [3] and 25 May 1973 [4] the Community autonomously increased the ceilings of voluntary restraints set out in the trade agreement between the Community and India on cotton textiles; whereas the first of the increases was made to take account of the Accession of the new Member States to the Community and to avoid disturbing traditional trade flows;

Whereas the most recent statistical data appear to warrant that the increase be fixed at a higher level, and in order, in particular, to take account for this purpose the levels of imports into Denmark and Ireland;

Whereas the measures provided for by this Decision are in accordance with the Opinion of the Quota Administration Committee which met on 21 May 1973;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The ceilings of voluntary restraint set out for products belonging to Group I (cotton fibres whether or not bleached) and Group II (fibres other than bleached or unbleached fibres and manufactured articles) in the trade agreement on cotton textiles concluded on 12 March 1971 between the European Economic Community and India shall be autonomously increased until 30 September 1973 as follows:

— Group I from 8 460 metric tons to 8 675 metric tons

— Group II from 4 035 metric tons to 4 185 metric tons.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

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(1) OJ No L 164, 27. 7. 1970, p. 41.
(2) OJ No L 124, 8. 6. 1970, p. 1.
(3) OJ No L 94 ,10. 4. 1973, p. 20.
(4) OJ No L 182, 5. 7. 1973, p. 37.