COMMISSION DECISION

of 25 August 1976

authorizing the Italian Republic not to apply Community treatment to radio receivers, whether or not combined with a sound reproducer, falling within subheading ex 85.15 A III of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Japan and in free circulation in the other Member States

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(76/778/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 115 thereof,

Having regard to the application under the first paragraph of Article 115 of the Treaty made on 18 August 1976 by the Italian Government to the Commission by telex from the Office of its Permanent Representative to the European Communities, for authorization not to apply Community treatment to radio receivers, whether or not combined with a sound reproducer, falling within subheading ex 85.15 A III of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Japan and in free circulation in the other Member States,

Whereas according to this application under Article 115 the importation into Italy of the products in question originating in Japan is subject to an annual quota of $ 310 000, which is wholly taken up;

Whereas differences in the measures of commercial policy taken in connection with these products by Italy and by the other Member States as regards Japan are giving rise to deflection of trade;

Whereas this deflection of trade is preventing the execution of the abovementioned measures of commercial policy currently being taken by Italy as regards Japan;

Whereas it is not possible at the present time to set in motion the machinery for bringing about the necessary cooperation from the other Member States;

Whereas authorization should be given, for a limited period, for the application of protective measures under the first paragraph of Article 115, subject to the conditions, laid down by the Commission Decision of 12 May 1971 [1], and in particular Article 1 thereof,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Italian Republic is authorized not to apply Community treatment to imports of radio receivers, whether or not combined with a sound reproducer, falling within subheading ex 85.15 A III of the Common Customs Tariff, where they originate in Japan and are in free circulation in the other Member States, and in respect of which applications for import licences lodged after 8 August 1976 are before the Italian authorities on the date of this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 25 August 1976.

For the Commission

Christopher SOAMES

Vice-President

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[1] OJ No L 121, 3. 6. 1971, p. 26.