COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 June 1977

allowing admission free of Common Customs Tariff duties of scientific apparatus described as 'MKS-High Accuracy Baratron Sensor Head type 90 AH-1000'

(77/444/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1798/75 of 10 July 1975 on the importation free of Common Customs Tariff duties of educational, scientific and cultural materials (1),

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3195/75 of 2 December 1975 laying down provisions for the implementation of Regulation (EEC) No 1798/75 (2), and in particular Articles 4 and 5 thereof,

Whereas, by letter dated 3 February 1977, the German Government requested the Commission to invoke the procedure laid down in Articles 4 and 5 of Regulation (EEC) No 3195/75 in order to determine whether or not the apparatus described as 'MKS-High Accuracy Baratron Sensor Head type 90 AH-1000' should be considered to be scientific apparatus, and where the reply is in the affirmative, whether apparatus of equivalent scientific value is currently manufactured in the Community ;

Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of Article 4(5) of Regulation (EEC) No 3195/75, a group of experts composed of representatives of all of the Member States met on 3 June 1977 within the Committee on Duty-Free Arrangements to examine this particular case ;

Whereas this examination shows that the apparatus in question is a differential pressure sensor, bakeable, for research projects concerned with the effect of magnetic fields on catalytic phenomena at the surfaces of virgin metals, in particular on the change in reaction velocity of carbon monoxide with nickel in magnetic fields of varying degrees of intensity, requiring exact pressure measurements and extreme cleanliness in the measuring system ;

Whereas the characteristics of this pressure sensor and its intended use render it material specially adapted in the field of research ; whereas, therefore, it has the character of scientific apparatus ;

Whereas no apparatus of scientific value equivalent to any of the above apparatus is currently manufactured in the Community,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

1. The apparatus described as 'MKS-High Accuracy Baratron Sensor Head type 90 AH-1000' must be considered to be scientific apparatus.

2. The conditions referred to in Article 3 (1) (b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1798/75 of 10 July 1975 for admission free of Common Customs Tariff duties of the apparatus described in paragraph 1 are fulfilled.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 24 June 1977.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 184, 15. 7. 1975, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 316, 6. 12. 1975, p. 17.