COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 July 1977

allowing admission free of Common Customs Tariff duties of the scientific apparatus described as 'GR Capacitance-Measuring Assembly' model 1620-AP

(77/508/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 29 March 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 'GR Capacitance-Measuring Assembly' model 1620-AP 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 provisions of Article 4 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 3195/75, a group of experts composed of representatives of all the Member States met on 29 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 capacitance measuring assembly used in the study of the physical properties of large monocrystals for measuring the temperature dependence of electrostrictive constants ; whereas this measuring requires an accuracy of the order of 0·01 % and a resolution of 1 ppm ; whereas its characteristics and its intended use render it material specially adapted to research ; whereas, therefore, it is considered to be scientific apparatus ;

Whereas, on the basis of information received from Member States, apparatus of equivalent scientific value capable of use for the same purpose is not currently manufactured in the Community,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

1. The apparatus described as 'GR Capacitance-Measuring Assembly' model 1620-AP, must be considered to be a 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, 20 July 1977.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

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