COMMISSION DECISION

of 31 March 1980

extending the period of application of the system of authorization for trade in crude oil and/or petroleum products between France and other Member States provided for by Decision 79/126/EEC

(Only the French text is authentic)

(80/374/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 77/186/EEC of 14 February 1977 on the exporting of crude oil and petroleum products from one Member State to another in the event of supply difficulties (1), and in particular Article 1 thereof,

After consulting the group of delegates from Member States as provided for in Directive 73/238/EEC (2),

Whereas the present reduction of production affects the exports of crude oil to the Community;

Whereas this development could bring about disturbances in traditional trade flows of crude oil and petroleum products between Member States;

Whereas, therefore, in order to prevent such a situation, it is necessary to continue to monitor these trade flows regularly by means of a Community system;

Whereas, in particular, in view of the supply situation in France, provision should be made in respect of trade involving that Member State for a further extension of the system provided for by Decision 79/126/EEC (3), as last amended by Decision 80/124/EEC (4); whereas the Member State in question has made a request to this effect,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Article 2 of Decision 79/126/EEC and Article 2 of Decision 79/135/EEC the date '31 March 1979' shall be replaced by '30 June 1980', unless a contrary decision is taken on the basis of Article 5 of Decision 77/186/EEC.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 3 March 1980.

For the Commission

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(1) OJ No L 61, 5. 3. 1977, p. 23.
(2) OJ No L 228, 16. 8. 1973, p. 2.
(3) OJ No L 30, 6. 2. 1979, p. 19.
(4) OJ No L 29, 6. 2. 1980, p. 29.