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(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 12 October 1981

amending the import arrangements laid down in Commission Decision 81/248/EEC as applied in Italy in respect of imports of fibre building board from the Soviet Union

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(81/981/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3286/80 of 4 December 1980 on import arrangements in respect of State-trading countries [1], and in particular Article 9 (3) thereof,

Whereas Commission Decision 81/248/EEC [2] established the list of products originating in State-trading countries in respect of which the putting into free circulation in the Member States is subject to quantitative restrictions pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 3286/80 ;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 7 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 3286/80, the Italian Government has informed the other Member States and the Commission that it considers that the import arrangements applied in Italy in respect of imports of fibre building board, falling within heading No 44.11 of the Common Customs Tariff and originating in the Soviet Union, should be amended in accordance with the said Regulation ;

Whereas the measure envisaged is justified by the considerable increase in imports in 1980 compared with 1979 (a trend which is continuing in 1981), the abnormally low prices which are often charged by the supplier country and the economic difficulties facing the sector concerned in Italy,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

1. The putting into free circulation in Italy of fibre building board of wood or other vegetable material, whether or not bonded with natural or artificial resins or with other organic binders, falling within heading No 44.11 of the Common Customs Tariff and originating in the Soviet Union, shall be subject to quantitative restrictions.

2. In the Annex to Commission Decision 81/248/EEC, a cross (+) shall be inserted in the column headed 'Italy', opposite NIMEXE headings 44.11-10, 20, 30 and 90. This cross shall be accompanied by a footnote (7) reading as follows : '(7) US.'

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 12 October 1981.

For the Commission

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Vice-President

(1) OJ No L 353, 29. 12. 1980, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 115, 27. 4. 1981, p. 1.