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# COUNCIL

## COUNCIL DECISION

**of 17 December 1992**

**concerning the conclusion of the agreements in the form of exchanges of letters extending the adjustment of the voluntary restraint agreements between the European Economic Community and Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Hungary and Poland on trade in sheepmeat and goatmeat**

(93/60/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission,

Whereas the voluntary restraint agreements between the European Economic Community and Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Hungary and Poland on trade in sheepmeat and goatmeat were adjusted in 1990 in the context of measures taken to stabilize the markets in this sector;

Whereas the said adjustments are to come to an end on 31 December 1992;

Whereas it is necessary to provide for interim arrangements for trade in the sheepmeat and goatmeat sectors pending conclusion of the negotiations regarding agricultural trade in the framework of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade;

Whereas it is appropriate, in these circumstances, to extend the adjustments to the said voluntary restraint agreements for one year;

Whereas the effect of the implementation of the Single Market from 1 January 1993 should be taken into account;

Whereas the Commission has conducted negotiations in this connection with Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Hungary and Poland which have resulted in Agreements;

Whereas the said Agreements should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The Agreements in the form of Exchanges of Letters between the European Economic Community and Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Hungary and Poland extending the adjustments to the voluntary restraint agreements between the European Economic Community and Bulgaria, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Hungary and Poland on trade in sheepmeat and goatmeat are hereby approved on behalf of the European Economic Community.

The texts of the Agreements are attached to this Decision.

*Article 2*

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the person empowered to sign the Agreements in order to bind the Community.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1992.

*For the Council*

*The President*

J. GUMMER