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(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 11 March 1996

confirming Commission Regulation (EC) No 2914/95 introducing prior Community surveillance of imports of certain iron and steel products covered by the ECSC and EC Treaties originating in certain third countries

(96/208/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3285/94 of 22 December 1994 on the common rules for imports and repealing Regulation (EC) No 518/94 [1], and in particular Article 16 (8) thereof,

Whereas, by Regulation (EC) No 2914/95 [2], the Commission took measures introducing prior Community surveillance of imports of certain iron and steel products covered by the ECSC and EC Treaties originating in certain third countries;

Whereas a Member State has referred the Commission's decision to the Council in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 16 (7) and (8) of Regulation (EC) No 3285/94;

Having taken cognizance of the reasons for Regulation (EC) No 2914/95,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Commission Regulation (EC) No 2914/95 of 18 December 1995 introducing prior Community surveillance of imports of certain iron and steel products covered by the ECSC and EC Treaties originating in certain third countries, is hereby confirmed.

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 11 March 1996.

For the Council

The President

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[1] OJ No L 349, 31. 12. 1994, p. 53. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 139/96 (OJ No L 21, 27. 1. 1996, p. 7).

[2] OJ No L 305, 19. 12. 1995, p. 23.