REGULATION (EEC) No 1248/73 OF THE COUNCIL

of 14 May 1973

on the conclusion of the Agreement, in the form of an exchange of letters, on Article 5 of Annex I to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 238 thereof;

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas it is appropriate that the Agreement on Article 5 of Annex I to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus be concluded in the form of an exchange of letters;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters on Article 5 of Annex I to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus is hereby concluded on behalf of the European Economic Community.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Regulation.

Article 2

The President of the Council of the European Communities shall notify that the necessary procedures for the entry into force of the Agreement have been completed [1].

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 1973.

For the Council

The President

R. VAN ELSLANDE

[1] The date of the entry into force of the Agreement will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

Brussels, . . .

Your Excellency,

With reference to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus signed on 19 December 1972 and to the Protocol laying down certain provisions of that Agreement, the contracting parties have agreed as follows:

'From the date of the entry into force of the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus and until 31 December 1973, Article 5 of Annex I to that Agreement shall not apply to trade between Cyprus on the one hand and Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom on the other.'

I should be obliged if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and confirm your Government's agreement to its content.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the expression of our highest consideration.

For the Council

of the European Communities

Provided that the European Economic Community will be finally committed only after notifying the other contracting party of the completion of the procedures required by the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, particularly consultation of the European Parliament.

Brussels, . . .

Your Excellencies,

The following communication was received from you today:

'Your Excellency,

With reference to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus signed on 19 December 1972 and to the Protocol laying down certain provisions of that Agreement, the contracting parties have agreed as follows:

'From the date of the entry into force of the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus and until 31 December 1973, the provisions of Article 5 of Annex I to that Agreement shall not apply to trade between the Republic of Cyprus on the one hand and Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the other.'

I should be obliged if you would kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and confirm your Government's agreement with its content.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the expression of our highest consideration.

For the Council

of the European Communities

Provided that the European Economic Community will be finally committed only after notifying the other contracting party of the completion of the procedures required by the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, particularly consultation of the European Parliament.'

I hereby acknowledge receipt of this communication and confirm my Government's agreement thereto.

Please accept, Your Excellencies, the assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Government of

the Republic of Cyprus