REGULATION (EEC) No 177/73 OF THE COUNCIL

of 23 January 1973

authorizing the new Member States to take over national subdivisions for certain agricultural products within the Common Customs Tariff nomenclature

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to the Treaty concerning the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and to the European Atomic Energy Community [1], signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular Article 60 (3) of the Act [2] annexed to it;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas in accordance with the terms of the first subparagraph of Article 60 (3) of the said Act the new Member States shall apply the Common Customs Tariff nomenclature by 1 February 1973 at the latest, in respect of agricultural products covered by a common organization of the market; whereas, however, pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 60 (3) the new Member States may be authorized to take over existing national subdivisions within the Common Customs Tariff nomenclature in order to carry out progressive moves towards alignment with the Common Customs Tariff or the elimination of duties in the Community to the extent that no difficulties arise in the application of the Community rules;

Whereas, for the products which come under the common organization of the market in fisheries, and fruit and vegetables, such authorization is justified and does not create any difficulties, taking into account the fact that, in the fisheries sector, the products covered by compensatory amounts do not give rise to the maintenance of national subdivisions by the new Member States and that, in the fruit and vegetables sector, the system of correcting compensatory amounts in keeping with the incidence of customs duty permits the maintenance of national subdivisions within the Common Customs Tariff nomenclature; whereas, moreover, provision should be made for such authorization for a limited period in respect of certain products in the beef and veal sector;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In respect of agricultural products covered by a common organization of the market in the fisheries sector and in the fruit and vegetables sector, and, until 31 December 1973, in respect of products of the beef and veal sector for which no compensatory amount is laid down, the new Member States shall be authorized to take over, within the Common Customs Tariff nomenclature, such national subdivisions as are indispensable for carrying out the progressive moves towards alignment with that Tariff or the elimination of duties in the Community under the conditions laid down in the said Act.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 February 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 January 1973.

For the Council

The President

L. TINDEMANS

[1] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 5.

[2] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.