REGULATION (EEC) No 1831/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 4 July 1973

providing for licences for the import of cotton yarn into the United Kingdom originating in and coming from non-member countries

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to Regulation (EEC) No 1025/70 [1] of the Council of 25 May 1970 establishing common rules for imports from non-member countries, and in particular Article 10 thereof ;

After a meeting of the Consultative Committee set up under Article 5 of this Regulation ;

Whereas on 23 March 1973 the British Government requested the Commission to take protective measures with regard to the import of cotton yarn originating in and coming from the non-member countries (listed in Annex II to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1025/70) to which the United Kingdom applied quantitative restrictions before 1 April 1973 ;

Whereas information supplied by the British Government, in particular during the meeting of the Committee referred to above, as well as other information which the Commission has received, shows that before 1 April 1973, the date on which Regulation (EEC) No 1025/70 became applicable in the United Kindom, imports into the United Kingdom of the products in question from the countries concerned were subject to quantitative restrictions ; whereas an increase in these imports consequent upon liberalization thereof might do serious damage, which would be difficult to repair, to the cotton-spinning industry in the United Kingdom and affect employment by jeopardizing the reconversion process in that industry ;

Whereas provisional protective measures limiting imports of cotton yarn must therefore be taken immediately ;

Whereas the threat of serious damage stems from the imports intended for the market in the United Kingdom, and whereas in view of the existing patterns of trade it seems justified at present to limit protective measures to imports into the United Kingdom ;

Whereas these imports must be limited to the possible scope of imports into the United Kingdom as existing before 1 April 1973 ;

Whereas, in order to counter the threat of damage, protective measures must be adopted for a period ending on 31 December 1973 ;

Whereas these provisional protective measures will be applicable until the entry into force of suitable measures to be taken by the Council in accordance with Article 10 (6) of Regulation (EEC) No 1025/70, and until six weeks at the latest after the entry into force of this Regulation ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

Imports into the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland of the products listed below originating in and coming from the non-member countries quoted in Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 1025/70 of the Council, excepting those countries listed in the Annex to this Regulation, are subject to the submission of an import licence and are limited, during the period 1 April 1973 to 31 December 1973, to the following quantities :

CCT heading No		
55.05	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	12 750 metric tons
55.06	Cotton yarn, put up for retail sale	

Article 2

The import licences provided for in Article 1 shall be issued by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Article 3

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

[1] OJ No L 124, 8. 6. 1970, p. 6.

It shall be applicable until the entry into force of suitable measures to be taken by the Council, in accordance with Article 10 (6) of Regulation (EEC) No 1025/70, and until six weeks at the latest after its entry into force.

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

Done at Brussels, 4 July 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

Annex referred to in Article 1

Australia
Austria
Canada
Cyprus
Finland
Greece
Iceland
Israel
Lebanon
Malta
Morocco
New Zealand
Norway
Portugal
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland (including Liechtenstein)
Tunisia
Turkey
USA