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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

REGULATION (EEC) No 2798/73 OF THE COUNCIL
of 14 May 1973
concluding the Association Agreement with Mauritius

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 an Association Agreement concerning the accession of Mauritius to the Convention of Association between the European Economic Community and the African and Malagasy States associated with that Community, hereinafter called 'the Convention of Association', together with a Final Act have been signed at Port Louis (Mauritius) on 12 May 1972;

Whereas in accordance with Article 109 of the Act [1] relating to the conditions of accession and the adjustments to the Treaties, the arrangements resulting from the Convention of Association are not applicable to the relations between the new Member States and the Association of African and Malagasy States;

Whereas it should be ensured that acts of the Institutions of the Community — both those currently in force and those done subsequently — using the expression 'the Associated African and Malagasy States' apply to Mauritius,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Association Agreement providing for the accession of Mauritius to the Convention of Association between the European Economic Community and the African and Malagasy States associated with that Community, and the Final Act, with the Declarations annexed to it, are hereby concluded, approved and confirmed, on behalf of the European Economic Community.

The arrangements resulting from this Agreement and its Declarations shall not however apply to relations between the new Member States and Mauritius.

The texts of the Agreement and the Final Act are annexed to this Regulation.

Article 2

The President of the Council shall be authorized to designate the person empowered to deposit the act of notification of the conclusion of the Agreement, in accordance with Article 4 of the Association Agreement.

Article 3

Save as otherwise provided, any mention in the acts of the Institutions of the Community of the 'Associated African and Malagasy States' shall apply also to Mauritius. This provision shall apply from the entry into force of the Association Agreement.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following 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] OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.