REGULATION (EEC) No 3465/73 OF THE COUNCIL

of 17 December 1973

on the temporary and partial suspension of the autonomous duties in the Common Customs Tariff for dried apricots falling within subheading No 08.12 A, bitter or Seville oranges falling within subheading No ex 08.02 A II a) and b) and saffron, neither crushed or ground, falling within subheading No 09.10 C I

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 28 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas production of the products referred to in the present Regulation is at present inadequate within the Community and producers are thus unable to meet the needs of user industries in the Community;

Whereas it is therefore in the Community's interest to suspend partially the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on these goods;

Whereas taking account of the difficulties involved in accurately assessing the development of the economic situation in the sectors concerned in the near future, these suspension measures should be taken only temporarily, fixing their terms of validity to coincide with the interests of Community production,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties for the products listed in the tables set out in the Annex shall be suspended at the level indicated in respect of each of them.

The suspension shall apply:

— from 1 December 1973 to 30 June 1974 for the products listed in Table I;

— from 1 January to 30 June 1974 for the products listed in Table II.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day 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, 17 December 1973.

For the Council

The President

I. NØRGAARD

ANNEX

TABLE I

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Rate of duty (autonomous)
08.12 A	Dried apricots	6 %

TABLE II

CCT heading No	Description of goods	Rate of duty (autonomous)
ex 08.02 A II a) and b)	Bitter or Seville oranges	8 %
09.10 C I	Saffron, neither crushed or ground	10 %