REGULATION (EEC) No 3499/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 21 December 1973

authorizing the United Kingdom to suspend temporarily customs duties on hachled or otherwise processed but not spun flax and flax tow imported from other Member States

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community ;

Having regard to the Treaty [1] on the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular Article 59 (4) of the Act annexed thereto ;

Whereas Article 59 (4) of the Act provides that, in respect of products covered by a common organization of the market, the new Member States may be authorized to suspend in whole or in part the customs duties on products imported from other Member States ;

Whereas the United Kingdom has applied to suspend customs duties on hachled or otherwise processed but not spun flax and flax tow within heading No ex 54.01 of the Common Customs Tariff from 1 January until 30 June 1974 ;

Whereas, should this suspension be acceptable in exchanges between Member States, this request by the United Kingdom should be granted ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Flax and Hemp,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The United Kingdom is hereby authorized to suspend during the period from 1 January until 30 June 1974 the customs duties applicable to imports of hachled or otherwise processed but not spun flax and flax tow within heading No ex 54.01 from other Member States of the European Economic Community.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1974.

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

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1973.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

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