REGULATION (EEC) No 2903/74 OF THE COUNCIL

of 7 November 1974

establishing Community supervision of imports of certain products originating in Iceland

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Whereas an Agreement [1] between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland was signed on 22 July 1972;

Whereas Articles 2 and 3 of that Agreement make provision for the progressive abolition of customs duties in respect of the products to which the Agreement applies; whereas by way of derogation from these Articles, Articles 1, 2 and 3 of Protocol 1 annexed to the Agreement lay down that, for imports of certain products listed in Annex B to that Protocol, the reduction of duties shall be limited to indicative ceilings above which the customs duties applicable to third countries may by reintroduced; whereas application of this last provision requires that the Community be regularly informed of the trend of imports of the products in question originating in Iceland; whereas it is, therefore, desirable that imports of these products be subjected to a system of supervison;

Whereas this objective may be achieved by means of an administrative procedure based on setting off imports of the products in question against the indicative ceilings at Community level, as and when these products are submitted to the customs authorities under cover of declaration that they have been made available for consumption; whereas this administrative procedure must make provision for the reintroduction of customs tariff duties as soon as the ceilings have been reached at Community level;

Whereas this administrative procedure requires close and particularly rapid cooperation between the Member States and the Commission; whereas the latter must, in particular, be able to follow the progress of amounts set off against the indicative ceilings and keep the Member States informed; whereas this cooperation must be all the closer since the Commission must be able to take adequate measures to reintroduce customs tariff duties whenever one of the ceilings has been reached;

Whereas, for the products which, in accordance with Articles 2 and 3 of the Agreement, are subject to the normal timetable for the abolition of customs duties it is necessary to follow the trend of imports; whereas to this end the Community should be empowered to take, where appropriate, measures to avoid any prejudice to industry in the Community; whereas it is, therefore, desirable that imports of these products also be subjected to a system of supervision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. From 1 January until 31 December 1975, imports of products originating in Iceland to which annual indicative ceilings are applied in accordance with Articles 1, 2 and 3, and Annex B to Protocol 1 of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland shall be subjected to Community supervision.

The description of the products referred to in the preceding subparagraph, their tariff headings and statistic numbers and the levels of the indicative ceilings are given in Annex I.

2. Amounts shall be set off against the indicative ceilings as and when products are submitted to the customs authorities under cover of a declaration that they have been made available for consumption and accompanied by a movement certificate conforming to the rules contained in Protocol 3 of the Agreement referred to in paragraph 1.

Goods shall be set off against the indicative ceiling only if the movement certificate has been submitted before the date on which customs duties are reimposed.

The reaching of a ceiling shall be determined at Community level on the basis of imports set off against it in the manner defined in the preceding subparagraphs.

The Member States shall periodically inform the Commission of imports effected in accordance with the above rules.

[1] OJ No L 301, 31. 12. 1972, p. 1.

3. As soon as the ceilings have been reached, the Commission may issue a Regulation reimposing the customs duties provided for in Article 3 (f) of Protocol 1 of the Agreement until the end of the calendar year.

Article 2

During the period from 1 January until 31 December 1975, imports of the products referred to in Annex II which originate in Iceland shall be subjected to Community supervision.

The Member States shall periodically inform the Commission of imports of these products; to this end, only products submitted to the customs authorities under cover of a declaration that they have been made available for consumption and accompanied by a movement certificate conforming to the rules contained in Protocol 3 of the Agreement referred to in Article 1 shall be taken into consideration.

Article 3

For the implementation of this Regulation the Commission shall take all necessary measures in close cooperation with the Member States.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1975.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 November 1974.

For the Council

The President

A. JARROT

ANNEX I

LIST OF PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO INDICATIVE CEILINGS UPON IMPORTATION IN 1975

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	Nimexe Code	Level of ceiling — metric tons —
1	2	3	4	5
	76.01	Unwrought aluminium; aluminium waste and scrap:		
I ISL 1		A. Unwrought	76.01-11,15	33 075

ANNEX II

LIST OF PRODUCTS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 2

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	Nimexe Code
1	2	3	4
	78.01	Unwrought lead (including argentiferous lead); lead waste and scrap:	
		A. Unwrought:	
II ISL 1		II. Other	78.01-12, 13, 15, 19
	79.01	Unwrought zinc; zinc waste and scrap:	
II ISL 2		A. Unwrought	79.01-11, 15
II ISL 3	81.01	Tungsten (wolfram), unwrought or wrought, and articles thereof	81.01 - all Nos
II ISL 4	81.02	Molybdenum, unwrought or wrought, and articles thereof	81.02 - all Nos
II ISL 5	81.03	Tantalum, unwrought or wrought	81.03 - all Nos
	81.04	Other base metals, unwrought or wrought, and articles thereof; cermets, unwrought or wrought, and articles thereof:	
II ISL 6		B. Cadmium	81.04-16, 18
		C. Cobalt:	
II ISL 7		II. Other	81.04-23
II ISL 8		D. Chromium	81.04-26, 28
II ISL 9		E. Germanium	81.04-31, 33
II ISL 10		F. Hafnium (celtium)	81.04-36, 38
II ISL 11		G. Manganese	81.04-41, 43
II ISL 12		H. Niobium (columbium)	81.04-46, 48
II ISL 13		IJ. Antimony	81.04-51, 53
II ISL 14		K. Titanium	81.04-56, 58
II ISL 15		L. Vanadium	81.04-61, 63
II ISL 16		M. Uranium depleted in U 235	81.04-69
II ISL 17		O. Zirconium	81.04-81, 83
II ISL 18		P. Rhenium	81.04-91, 93
II ISL 19		Q. Gallium; indium; thallium	81.04-94, 95
II ISL 20		R. Cermets	81.04-97, 98