COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2671/76

of 25 October 1976

increasing the Community tariff quota opened for 1976 by Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff

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 (1),

Whereas in its Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 (2) the Council opened and allocated among Member States, for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff, a zero-duty Community tariff quota fixed at the level of 5 700 metric tons;

Whereas, on the basis of the most recent data for 1976 concerning this product, supplementary Community import requirements from non-member countries are estimated at 1 500 metric tons; whereas the quota amount should be increased by this amount to take account of such requirements; whereas, in order to safeguard the Community nature of the tariff quota in question, a first tranche of the additional amount should be allocated among certain Member States whilst the balance should be allocated to the reserve set up by Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Community tariff quota opened by Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff shall be increased from 5 700 to 7 200 metric tons.

Article 2

1. A first tranche of this increase, amounting to 1 340 metric tons, shall be allocated as follows among the Member States listed below:

	(in metric tons)
Benelux	500
Denmark	250
Germany	400
France	10
United Kingdom	180

2. The second tranche, which amounts to 160 metric tons, shall constitute the reserve. The amount of the reserve provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2888/75 shall thus rise from 500 to 660 metric tons.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh 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 Luxembourg, 25 October 1976.

For the Council

The President

A. P. L. M. M. van der STEE

(1) OJ No C 259, 4. 11. 1976, p. 37.
(2) OJ No L 292, 12. 11. 1975, p. 35.