COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2861/76

of 23 November 1976

increasing the Community tariff quota opened for 1976 by Regulation (EEC) No 2883/75 for raw silk (not thrown) falling within heading No 50.02 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 draft Regulation submitted by the Commission,

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 2883/75 [1], the Council opened and allocated among the Member States a zero-duty Community tariff quota for raw silk (not thrown) falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff, the volume of which was fixed at 2 500 metric tons ;

Whereas, having regard to the increase in consumption recorded in 1976, it can be estimated that the quota volume of 2 500 metric tons will not be sufficient to satisfy requirements ; whereas the quota volume of 550 metric tons should be increased to take into account these requirements ; whereas, to safeguard the Community nature of the tariff quota in question, this additional volume should be allocated to the Community reserve set up by Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2883/75,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The Community tariff quota opened by Regulation (EEC) No 2883/75 for raw silk (not thrown) falling within heading No 50.02 of the Common Customs Tariff shall be increased from 2 500 to 3 050 metric tons.

Article 2

This increase of 550 metric tons shall be allocated to the Community reserve provided for in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2883/75 which shall thus be increased from 500 to 1 050 metric tons.

Article 3

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, 23 November 1976.

For the Council

The President

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

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[1] OJ No L 292, 12. 11. 1975, p. 19.