COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 498/76

of 4 March 1976

re-establishing the levying of customs duties on men's and boys' under garments, etc., of cotton fabric, falling within heading No ex 61.03, originating in India, to which the preferential tariff arrangements set out in Council Regulation (EEC) No 3002/75 of 17 November 1975 apply

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3002/75 of 17 November 1975 establishing preferential tariffs in respect of certain cotton textile and like products originating in developing countries (1), and in particular Article 4 (2) thereof,

Whereas Article 1 (3) and (4) of that Regulation provides that customs duties may, for each category of products, be suspended up to a Community ceiling equal to 166 % of the sum arrived at by adding together the value of the products in question, metric tons, imported into the Community in 1968 and coming from countries listed in Annex B to that Regulation, but not including products coming from countries already covered by various preferential tariff arrangements established by the Community, and 5 % of the 1970 metric tonnage of such imports coming from other countries and from countries already covered by such arrangements ; whereas, having regard to that ceiling, the amounts for products originating in any one of the countries listed in Annex B to that Regulation should be within a maximum Community amount representing 50 % of that ceiling, with the exception of certain products for which the maximum amount is to be reduced to the percentage indicated in Annex A to that Regulation ; whereas, for those products, this reduced percentage will be 30 % ;

Whereas Article 2 (2) of that Regulation provides that the levying of customs duties may be re-established at any time in respect of imports of the products in question originating in any of the said countries once the relevant Community maximum amount has been reached ;

Whereas, in respect of men's and boys' under garments, etc, of cotton fabric falling within heading No ex 61.03, the ceiling, calculated as indicated above, should be 331 metric tons, and therefore the maximum amount 99·300 metric tons ; whereas on 2 March 1976 the amounts of imports into the Community of men's and boys' under garments, etc, of cotton fabric falling within heading No ex 61.03, originating in India, a country covered by preferential tariff arrangements, reached that maximum amount ; whereas, bearing in mind the objectives of Regulation (EEC) No 3002/75 which provides that maximum amounts should not be exceeded, customs duties should be re-established in respect of the products in question in relation to India,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

As from 9 March 1976, the levying of customs duties, suspended in pursuance of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3002/75 of 17 November 1975, shall be re-established in respect of the following products, imported into the Community and originating in India :

CCT heading No	Description of goods
ex 61.03	Men's and boys' under garments, including collars, shirt fronts and cuffs : — Of cotton fabric

Article 2

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, 4 March 1976.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 310, 29. 11. 1975, p. 9.