COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 1178/77

of 17 May 1977

further extending the period of validity of Regulations (EEC) No 1509/76 and (EEC) No 1522/76 on imports into the Community of prepared and preserved sardines originating in Tunisia and Morocco respectively

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament [1],

Whereas Council Regulations (EEC) No 1509/76 of 24 June 1976 on imports into the Community of prepared and preserved sardines originating in Tunisia [2] and (EEC) No 1522/76 of 24 June 1976 on imports into the Community of prepared and preserved sardines originating in Morocco [3], the period of validity of which was extended by Regulation (EEC) No 126/77 [4], provided for transitional arrangements for the said imports to apply until 30 June 1977 at the latest;

Whereas the conditions which gave rise to these transitional arrangements still exist;

Whereas the present arrangements for these products should therefore be temporarily extended,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 2 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1509/76 and Article 2(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1522/76, the date '30 June 1977' is hereby replaced by '31 December 1977'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 July 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 May 1977.

For the Council

The President

J. SILKIN

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(1) OJ No C 118, 16. 5. 1977, p. 67.
(2) OJ No L 169, 28. 6. 1976, p. 11.
(3) OJ No L 169, 28. 6. 1976, p. 45.
(4) OJ No L 21, 25. 1. 1977, p. 23.