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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2462/77

of 7 November 1977

concerning import arrangements for certain textile products originating in the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

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, in the context of the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles (1), the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia have concluded an Agreement on trade in textile products (2);

Whereas, for the purpose of implementing the Agreement, import arrangements must be adopted for the products in question;

Whereas the Agreement requires the Community to admit imports of certain textile products within the quantitative limits provided for, compliance with which will be guaranteed by a system of double checking;

Whereas appropriate provisions applicable in the Community should therefore be adopted for 1976 and 1977, as well as criteria for the allocation of the quantitative limits agreed with the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia;

Whereas, in view of the considerable disparities existing between the conditions currently governing imports of the products concerned into the Member States and in view of the particular sensitivity of the Community's textile industry, standardization of these import conditions can only be achieved progressively; whereas the criterion to be adopted for the allocation of the Community quantitative limits should therefore be in particular the gradual adjustment of the quantities admitted under current import conditions to market supply requirements;

Whereas imports of goods exported from Yugoslavia should be charged against the quantitative limits fixed in the Agreement for the period concerned;

Whereas steps should be taken to ensure that there is no evasion of the objectives of the Agreement by indirect imports of products originating in Yugoslavia;

Whereas the Agreement provides that those products which enter the Community's customs territory under inward processing or other temporary importation arrangements and are re-exported therefrom in their original state or after processing should not be charged against the agreed quantitative limits;

Whereas the Agreement does not apply in the Community to re-imports from Yugoslavia of textile articles produced by the working or processing of products temporarily exported from the Community,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Imports into the Community of the textile products listed in Annex I, originating in Yugoslavia and exported between 1 January 1976 and 31 December 1977, shall be subject to the quantitative limits set out in that Annex.

2. The quantitative limits shall be allocated among the Member States in accordance with the procedure laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 1023/70 of 25 May 1970 establishing a common procedure for administering quantitative quotas (3), and in particular in Article 11 thereof, in such a way as to ensure the

(1) OJ No L 118, 30. 4. 1974, p. 2.
(2) OJ No L 188, 28. 7. 1977, p. 2.
(3) OJ No L 124, 8. 6. 1970, p. 1.

expansion and orderly development of trade in textiles and to permit amounts to be carried over or brought forward from one year to another.

However, the allocation shall be made on the basis of the volume of imports admitted under the conditions currently applied in the Member States and shall provide for annual rates of increase that are appreciably higher for those Member States whose volume of imports are relatively the lowest, in such a way as to adapt them by progressive stages to market supply requirements.

3. The competent authorities of the Member States concerned shall, within the quantitative limits laid down, automatically and without delay authorize the import of the products referred to in paragraph 1 immediately upon production by the importer of the original export authorization issued by the competent authorities of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia containing the details set out in Annex II.

4. Authorized imports shall be charged against the quantitative limits applicable for the year during which the products were loaded within the territory of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia for export to the Community.

5. Products which enter the Community's customs territory under inward processing or other temporary importation arrangements and are re-exported therefrom in their original state or after processing shall not be charged against the quantitative limits referred to in paragraph 1.

6. Re-imports into the Community of textile products carried out after working or processing, in Yugoslavia of products temporarily exported by the Community shall not be charged against the quantitative limits referred to in paragraph 1.

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, 7 November 1977.

For the Council

The President

A. HUMBLET

ANNEX I

Quantitative limits referred to in Article 1

CCT heading No	Nimexe Code	Description of goods		Quantitative limits (tonnes)	
				1976	1977
55.09	01 to 98	Other woven fabrics of cotton	EEC	12 779	13 546
of which					
ex 55.09		Cotton fabrics, other than unbleached or bleached	EEC	1 425	1 505
ex 62.02 B	11 ; 41 ; 43 ; 47 ; 71 ; 73 ; 81	Bed linen, table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen of cotton ; curtains and other furnishing articles of cotton	EEC	952	1 009

ANNEX II

Details referred to in Article 1 (3)

The export authorization issued by the authorities of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in respect of the products subject to limitation under this Regulation shall specify or contain :

1. destination ;
2. serial number ;
3. importer's name and address ;
4. exporter's name and address ;
5. net weight (in tonnes) and value ;
6. category and classification of product ;
7. certificate issued by the Yugoslav authorities showing that the quantity has been debited against the agreed quantitative limit for exports to the Community or, where appropriate, is for immediate re-export or for processing and subsequent re-export outside the Community ;
8. year during which the products were exported i.e. loaded in Yugoslavia for export.