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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2815/77

of 28 November 1977

establishing ceilings and Community supervision for imports of certain products originating in Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria (1978)

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 the Interim Agreements between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt [1], the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan [1], the Lebanese Republic [2] and the Syrian Arab Republic [1] each stipulate in Article 2 that products originating in these countries shall be imported into the Community duty free as from 1 July 1977; whereas, by way of derogation therefrom, Article 6 or 7, according to the Agreement concerned, provides that the reduction of duties shall apply to imports of the products listed therein only up to ceilings above which the customs duties applicable to third countries may be reimposed; whereas the ceilings to be applied in 1978 should therefore be established; whereas, however, the Agreements expire on 30 June 1978; whereas the Community intends to maintain its trading relations with these countries; whereas the provisions governing the second half of 1978 should not be less favourable than those laid down for the first; whereas in order not to disrupt trading patterns for the products in question, ceilings should be established for the whole of 1978;

Whereas the application of ceilings requires the Community to be regularly informed of the trend of imports of the relevant products originating in these countries; whereas imports should therefore be made subject to a system of supervision;

Whereas this objective may be achieved by means of an administrative procedure based on charging imports of the products in question against the ceilings at Community level, as and when these products are entered with customs authorities for home use; whereas this administrative procedure must make provision for the reintroduction of customs tariff duties as soon as the ceilings have been reached at Community level;

Whereas this administrative procedure requires close and particularly rapid cooperation between the Member States and the Commission; whereas the latter must, in particular, be able to follow the progress of amounts set off against the ceilings and keep the Member States informed; whereas this cooperation must be all the closer in that the Commission must be able to take adequate measures to reintroduce customs tariff duties whenever one of the ceilings is reached;

Whereas the trend of imports of certain products not subject to ceilings should also be followed; whereas it is therefore desirable that imports of such products should also be subject to a system of supervision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. From 1 January to 31 December 1978, imports of the products originating in Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria which are enumerated in Lists A of Annexes I, II, III and IV respectively shall be subject to annual ceilings and Community supervision.

[1] OJ No L 126, 23. 5. 1977, pp. 1, 89 and 166.
[2] OJ No L 133, 27. 5. 1977, p. 1.

The description of the said products, their tariff headings and statistical numbers and the levels of the ceilings are given in the aforementioned lists.

2. Amounts shall be set off against the ceilings as and when products are submitted to the customs authorities under cover of a declaration that they are being entered for home use and accompanied by a movement certificate conforming to the rules contained in the Protocols on rules of origin to the Interim Agreements between the Community of the one part and Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria of the other part. However, in the case of products falling within Chapter 27, a certificate of origin may be substituted for the movement certificate.

Goods shall be set off against the ceiling only if the movement certificate or, in the case of goods falling within Chapter 27, the certificate of origin has been submitted before the date on which customs duties are reimposed.

The reaching of a ceiling shall be determined at Community level on the basis of imports set off against it as defined in the preceding subparagraphs.

Member States shall inform the Commission at the intervals and within the time limits specified in paragraph 4 of imports effected in accordance with the above rules.

3. As soon as the ceilings have been reached, the Commission may issue a Regulation reimposing the customs duties applicable to third countries until the end of the calendar year.

4. Member States shall forward to the Commission not later than the 15th day of each month statements of the amounts set off during the preceding month. They shall, if the Commission so requests, make up such statements for periods of 10 days and forward them within five clear days from the expiry of the preceding 10-day period.

Article 2

From 1 January until 31 December 1978, imports of the products referred to in lists B of Annexes I, II, III and IV which originate in Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria shall be subject to Community supervision.

Member States shall forward to the Commission, not later than the 15th day of each month, statements of imports of the products in question effected during the preceding month; only products submitted to the customs authorities under cover of a declaration that they are being entered for home use and accompanied by a movement certificate conforming to the rules contained in the Protocols on rules of origin to the Interim Agreements.

Article 3

For the implementation of this Regulation the Commission shall take all necessary measures in close cooperation with the Member States.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1978.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 November 1977.

For the Council

The President

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ANNEX I

LIST A

List of products originating in Egypt subject to import ceilings in 1978

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code	Level of ceiling (tonnes)
1	2	3	4	5
	27.10	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, other than crude; preparations not elsewhere specified or included, containing not less than 70 % by weight of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals, these oils being the basic constituents of the preparations:		
		A. Light oils:		
		III. For other purposes	27.10-15, 17, 21, 25, 29	
		B. Medium oils:		
		III. For other purposes	27.10-34, 38, 39	
		C. Heavy oils:		
		I. Gas oils:		
		c) For other purposes	27.10-59	
		II. Fuel oils:		
		c) For other purposes	27.10-69	
		III. Lubricating oils; other oils:		
		c) To be mixed in accordance with the terms of Additional Note 7 to this Chapter (a)	27.10-75	
		d) For other purposes	27.10-79	
ET 1	27.11	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons:		472 500
		A. Propane of a purity not less than 99 %:		
		I. For use as power or heating fuel	27.11-03	
		B. Other:		
		I. Commercial propane and commercial butane:		
		c) For other purposes	27.11-19	
	27.12	Petroleum jelly:		
		A. Crude:		
		III. For other purposes	27.12-19	
		B. Other	27.12-90	
	27.13	Paraffin wax, micro-crystalline wax, slack wax, ozokerite, lignite wax, peat wax and other mineral waxes, whether or not coloured:		
		B. Other:		
		I. Crude:		
		c) For other purposes	27.13-89	
		II. Other	27.13-90	

(a) Entry under this subheading is subject to conditions to be determined by the competent authorities.

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code	Level of ceiling (tonnes)
1	2	3	4	5
I ET 1 *(cont'd)*	27.14	Petroleum bitumen, petroleum coke and other residues of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals: C. Other: II. Other	27.14-99	
I ET 2	31.03	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, phosphatic: A. Mentioned in Note 2 (A) to this Chapter: I. Superphosphates B. Mentioned in Note 2 (B) or (C) to this Chapter	31.03-15 31.03-30	36 750
I ET 3	55.05	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	55.05-all Nos	7 350
I ET 4	55.09	Other woven fabrics of cotton	55.09-all Nos	3 413

LIST B

List of products referred to in Article 2 originating in Egypt

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code
1	2	3	4
II ET 1	28.40	Phosphites, hypophosphites and phosphates: B. Phosphates (including polyphosphates): II. Other	28.40-30, 62, 65, 71, 79, 81, 85
II ET 2	76.01	Unwrought aluminium; aluminium waste and scrap: A. Unwrought B. Waste and scrap: I. Waste: b) Other (including factory rejects)	76.01-11, 15 76.01-33
II ET 3	76.02	Wrought bars, rods, angles, shapes and sections, of aluminium; aluminium wire	76.02-all Nos
II ET 4	76.03	Wrought plates, sheets and strip, of aluminium	76.03-all Nos
II ET 5	76.04	Aluminium foil (whether or not embossed, cut to shape, perforated, coated, printed, or backed with paper or other reinforcing material), of a thickness (excluding any backing) not exceeding 0·20 mm	76.04-all Nos

ANNEX II

LIST A

List of products originating in Jordan subject to import ceilings in 1978

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code	Level of ceiling (tonnes)
1	2	3	4	5
I JOR 1	55.09	Other woven fabrics of cotton	55.09-all Nos	105

LIST B

List of products referred to in Article 2 originating in Jordan

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code
1	2	3	4
II JOR 1	28.40	Phosphites, hypophosphites and phosphates:	
		B. Phosphates (including polyphosphates):	
		II. Other	28.40-30, 62, 65, 71, 79, 81, 85
II JOR 2	31.03	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, phosphatic:	
		A. Mentioned in Note 2 (A) to this Chapter:	
		I. Superphosphates	31.03-15
		B. Mentioned in Note 2 (B) or (C) to this Chapter	31.03-30
	31.05	Other fertilizers; goods of this Chapter in tablets, lozenges and similar prepared forms or in packings of a gross weight not exceeding 10 kg:	
		A. Other fertilizers:	
II JOR 3		I. Containing the three fertilizing substances: nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium	31.05-04, 06
II JOR 4		II. Containing the two fertilizing substances: nitrogen and phosphorus	31.05-12, 14, 16, 19
II JOR 5	55.05	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	55.05-all Nos
II JOR 6	76.01	Unwrought aluminium; aluminium waste and scrap:	
		A. Unwrought	76.01-11, 15
		B. Waste and scrap:	
		I. Waste:	
		b) Other (including factory rejects)	76.01-33
II JOR 7	76.02	Wrought bars, rods, angles, shapes and sections, of aluminium; aluminium wire	76.02-all Nos

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code
1	2	3	4
II JOR 8	76.03	Wrought plates, sheets and strip, of aluminium	76.03-all Nos
II JOR 9	76.04	Aluminium foil (whether or not embossed, cut to shape, perforated, coated, printed, or backed with paper or other reinforcing material), of a thickness (excluding any backing) not exceeding 0·20 mm	76.04-all Nos

ANNEX III

LIST A

List of products originating in the Lebanon subject to import ceilings in 1978

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code	Level of ceiling (tonnes)
1	2	3	4	5
I RL 1	31.03	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, phosphatic:		
		A. Mentioned in Note 2 (A) to this Chapter:		
		I. Superphosphates	31.03-15	15 750
		B. Mentioned in Note 2 (B) or (C) to this Chapter	31.03-30	
I RL 2	55.09	Other woven fabrics of cotton	55.09-all Nos	210

LIST B

List of products referred to in Article 2 originating in the Lebanon

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code
1	2	3	4
II RL 1	28.40	Phosphites, hypophosphites and phosphates:	
		B. Phosphates (including polyphosphates):	
		II. Other	28.40-30, 62, 65, 71, 79, 81, 85
II RL 2	42.02	Travel goods (for example, trunks, suit-cases, hat-boxes, travelling-bags, rucksacks), shopping-bags, handbags, satchels, brief-cases, wallets, purses, toilet-cases, tool-cases, tobacco-pouches, sheaths, cases, boxes (for example, for arms, musical instruments, binoculars, jewellery, bottles, collars, footwear, brushes) and similar containers, of leather or of composition leather, of vulcanized fibre, of artificial plastic sheeting, of paperboard or of textile fabric	42.02-all Nos
II RL 3	55.05	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	55.05-all Nos
II RL 4	76.01	Unwrought aluminium; aluminium waste and scrap:	
		A. Unwrought	76.01-11, 15
		B. Waste and scrap:	
		I. Waste:	
		b) Other (including factory rejects)	76.01-33
II RL 5	76.02	Wrought bars, rods, angles, shapes and sections, of aluminium; aluminium wire	76.02-all Nos
II RL 6	76.03	Wrought plates, sheets and strip, of aluminium	76.03-all Nos
II RL 7	76.04	Aluminium foil (whether or not embossed, cut to shape, perforated, coated, printed, or backed with paper or other reinforcing material), of a thickness (excluding any backing) not exceeding 0·20 mm	76.04-all Nos

ANNEX IV

LIST A

List of products originating in Syria subject to import ceilings in 1978

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code	Level of ceiling (tonnes)
1	2	3	4	5
	27.10	Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals, other than crude; preparations not elsewhere specified or included, containing not less than 70 % by weight of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals, these oils being the basic constituents of the preparations:		
		A. Light oil:		
		III. For other purposes	27.10-15, 17, 21, 25, 29	
		B. Medium oils:		
		III. For other purposes	27.10-34, 38, 39	
		C. Heavy oils:		
		I. Gas oils:		
		c) For other purposes	27.10-59	
		II. Fuel oils:		
		c) For other purposes	27.10-69	
		III. Lubricating oils; other oils:		
		c) To be mixed in accordance with the terms of Additional Note 7 to this Chapter (a)	27.10-75	
		d) For other purposes	27.10-79	
I SYR 1	27.11	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons:		183 750
		A. Propane of a purity not less than 99 %:		
		I. For use as power or heating fuel	27.11-03	
		B. Other:		
		I. Commercial propane and commercial butane:		
		c) For other purposes	27.11-19	
	27.12	Petroleum jelly:		
		A. Crude:		
		III. For other purposes	27.12-19	
		B. Other	27.12-90	
	27.13	Paraffin wax, micro-crystalline wax, slack wax, ozokerite, lignite wax, peat wax and other mineral waxes, whether or not coloured:		
		B. Other:		
		I. Crude:		
		c) For other purposes	27.13-89	
		II. Other	27.13-90	
	27.14	Petroleum bitumen, petroleum coke and other residues of petroleum oils or of oils obtained from bituminous minerals:		
		C. Other:		
		II. Other	27.14-99	
I SYR 2	55.09	Other woven fabrics of cotton	55.09-all Nos	525

(a) Entry under this subheading is subject to conditions to be determined by the competent authorities.

LIST B

List of products referred to in Article 2 originating in Syria

Order No	CCT heading No	Description	NIMEXE code
1	2	3	4
II SYR 1	28.40	Phosphites, hypophosphites and phosphates:	
		B. Phosphates (including polyphosphates):	
		II. Other	28.40-30, 62, 65, 71, 79, 81, 85
II SYR 2	31.03	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, phosphatic:	
		A. Mentioned in Note 2 (A) to this Chapter:	
		I. Superphosphates	31.03-15
		B. Mentioned in Note 2 (B) or (C) to this Chapter	31.03-30
	31.05	Other fertilizers; goods of this Chapter in tablets, lozenges and similar prepared forms or in packings of a gross weight not exceeding 10 kg:	
		A. Other fertilizers:	
II SYR 3		I. Containing the three fertilizing substances: nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium	31.05-04, 06
II SYR 4		II. Containing the two fertilizing substances: nitrogen and phosphorus	31.05-12, 14, 16, 19
II SYR 5	55.05	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	55.05-all Nos
II SYR 6	76.01	Unwrought aluminium; aluminium waste and scrap:	
		A. Unwrought	76.01-11, 15
		B. Waste and scrap:	
		I. Waste:	
		b) Other (including factory rejects)	76.01-33
II SYR 7	76.02	Wrought bars, rods, angles, shapes and sections, of aluminium; aluminium wire	76.02-all Nos
II SYR 8	76.03	Wrought plates, sheets and strip, of aluminium	76.03-all Nos
II SYR 9	76.04	Aluminium foil (whether or not embossed, cut to shape, perforated, coated, printed, or backed with paper or other reinforcing material), of a thickness (excluding any backing) not exceeding 0·20 mm	76.04-all Nos