COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2898/77
of 20 December 1977
maintaining in force the rules whereby imports into Italy of electric filament lamps originating in certain European State-trading countries are subject to import authorizations

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 109/70 of 19 December 1969 establishing common rules for imports from State-trading countries (1), and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

After consultation within the Advisory Committee set up under Article 5 of that Regulation,

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 1887/76 (2) the Commission established rules whereby imports into Italy of electric filament lamps originating in certain European State-trading countries were made subject to authorization ;

Whereas by Regulations (EEC) No 2162/76 (3) and (EEC) No 3205/76 (4) the Council maintained these rules in force until 31 December 1977 ;

Whereas the economic difficulties which justified the introduction of these protective measures still exist on the Italian market ;

Whereas electric filament lamps originating in certain State-trading countries continue to be imported into Italy at prices substantially below the price of similar Italian products and these have caused or are likely to cause serious injury to the producers in this region of the Community if the measures now in force are not extended ;

Whereas these measures should consequently be maintained in effect until 31 December 1978 for the Italian market in respect of Bulgaria, the German Democratic Republic, Czechoslovakia and the USSR ;

Whereas the safeguard measures thus maintained in respect of these third countries can be repealed should those same countries enter into consultations with the Community and should these consultations result in mutually satisfactory solutions,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The rules whereby imports into Italy of electric filament lamps originating in certain European State-trading countries are subject to authorization, which were adopted by Regulation (EEC) No 1887/76 and confirmed by Regulations (EEC) No 2162/76 and (EEC) No 3205/76, shall continue to apply until 31 December 1978.

The total quantity of products for which import authorizations shall be issued during the year 1978 shall not exceed the following amounts :

NIMEXE code	Description	Origin	Quantity (items)
85.20-15	Electric filament lamps exceeding 28 volts	Bulgaria	420 000
		German Democratic Republic	3 350 000
		Czechoslovakia	4 100 000
		USSR	1 365 000

Article 2

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, 20 December 1977.

For the Council
The President
J. CHABERT

(1) OJ No L 19, 26. 1. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 206, 31. 7. 1976, p. 79.
(3) OJ No L 242, 3. 9. 1976, p. 1.
(4) OJ No L 362, 31. 12. 1976, p. 1.