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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 944/77

of 3 May 1977

extending the provisional anti-dumping duty on ball bearings, tapered roller bearings and parts thereof, originating in Japan

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 459/68 of 5 April 1968 on protection against dumping or the granting of bounties or subsidies by countries which are not members of the European Economic Community (1), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2011/73 (2), and in particular Article 16 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 261/77 (3) the Commission imposed a provisional anti-dumping duty on ball bearings, tapered roller bearings and parts thereof, originating in Japan ;

Whereas the examination of this matter has not yet been completed and the exporters and importers principally concerned have requested that the duty be extended for a period not exceeding three months,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The provisional anti-dumping duty on ball bearings, tapered roller bearings and parts thereof, originating in Japan, imposed by Regulation (EEC) No 261/77, is hereby extended for a period not exceeding three months.

Article 2

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

Without prejudice to Article 18 of Regulation (EEC) No 459/68, it shall apply until the entry into force of a Council Act adopting definitive measures or, at the latest, until the expiry of a period of three months beginning on 5 May 1977.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 May 1977.

For the Council

The President

D. OWEN

(1) OJ No L 93, 7. 4. 1968, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 206, 27. 7. 1973, p. 3.
(3) OJ No L 34, 5. 2. 1977, p. 60.