COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 425/78

of 28 February 1978

re-establishing the levying of customs duties on spoons, forks, fish-eaters, etc., of stainless steel, falling within subheading 82.14 A and originating in developing countries to which the preferential tariff arrangements set out in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2705/77 apply

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2705/77 of 28 November 1977 establishing preferential tariffs in respect of certain products originating in developing countries (1), and in particular Article 4 (2) thereof,

Whereas Article 1 (3) of that Regulation provides that customs duties may, for each category of products, be suspended up to a Community ceiling, expressed in units of account, which will be equal — with the exception of certain products the value of the ceilings for which is given in Annex A thereto — to the sum arrived at by adding together the value of the products in question imported cif into the Community in 1974 and coming from countries and territories covered by those arrangements, but not including products coming from countries and territories already covered by various preferential tariff arrangements established by the Community, and 5 % of the value of 1975 cif imports coming from other countries and from countries and territories already covered by such arrangements; whereas, however, the ceiling resulting from the sum of this addition may in no case exceed 225 % of that fixed for 1976;

Whereas Article 2 (1) and (3) of the aforesaid Regulation provides that customs duties may be re-established at any time on imports of the products in question coming from any country or territory, with the exception of those listed in Annex C thereto, once the Community ceiling has been reached;

Whereas, in respect of spoons, forks, fish-eaters, etc., of stainless steel, falling within subheading 82.14 A, the ceiling, calculated as indicated above, should be 4 437 000 units of account; whereas on 17 February 1978 the amounts of imports into the Community of the products in question, originating in countries and territories covered by preferential tariff arrangements, reached that ceiling; whereas, bearing in mind the objectives of Regulation (EEC) No 2705/77 which provides that the ceiling should not be exceeded, customs duties should be re-established in respect of the products in question,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

As from 4 March 1978, customs duties, suspended in pursuance of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2705/77, shall be re-established in respect of the following products, imported into the Community, coming from any beneficiary country or territory, with the exception of those listed in Annex C to Regulation (EEC) No 2705/77:

CCT heading No	Description
82.14	Spoons, forks, fish-eaters, butter-knives, ladles, and similar kitchen or tableware:
	A. Of stainless steel

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, 28 February 1978.

For the Commission

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(1) OJ No L 324, 19. 12. 1977, p. 23.