COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2465/79

of 8 November 1979

making the importation of cotton yarn originating in Turkey subject to quantitative limitation

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1842/71 of 21 June 1971 (1), and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Having regard to the formal request submitted by the United Kingdom,

After consultation within the Advisory Committee established by Article 3 of that Regulation,

Whereas there has been a substantial increase in imports of cotton yarn on the Community market ; whereas these imports have given rise to market disturbance and are causing serious damage to Community producers resulting in the closure of mills and considerable loss of employment ; whereas in the past 12 months, in particular, 3 424 jobs have been lost in the cotton spinning sector in the United Kingdom as a result of 12 factory closures ; whereas three further closures are foreseen in November 1979, with the loss of 574 jobs ;

Whereas in consequence of this situation imports of cotton yarn originating in the majority of low-cost supplier countries are at present subject to a Community system of authorization and quantitative limitation under either bilateral agreements or autonomous arrangements ;

Whereas in recent months imports into the United Kingdom of cotton yarn originating in Turkey have been at a high level, thus helping to exacerbate the situation of market disruption ;

United Kingdom imports				Turkey's share (eight months 1979)	
1976	1977	1978	1979 (eight months)	of total UK imports	of total UK consumption
3 240 tonnes	2 232 tonnes	5 870 tonnes	4 562 tonnes	22·4 %	5·5 %

Whereas this situation makes it necessary to take immediate action aimed at avoiding irreparable damage to United Kingdom producers and a serious deterioration in the economic situation of that region of the Community ; whereas it therefore justifies the adoption, pursuant to Article 60 of the Additional Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey, of the protective measures needed to overcome these difficulties,

(1) OJ No L 192, 26. 8. 1971, p. 14.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

1. The importation into the United Kingdom of cotton yarn not put up for retail sale (CCT heading No 55.05) and originating in Turkey shall be subject until 31 December 1979 to a quantitative limit of 428 tonnes.

2. The provisions of the preceding paragraph shall not apply to products which have been placed on board and are in the course of shipment to the Community before the entry into force of this Regulation.

3. The regional quantitative limit specified in paragraph 1 shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1023/70 of 25 May 1970 establishing a common procedure for administering quantitative quotas [1].

4. The entry into free circulation in the other Member States of the textile products referred to in paragraph 1 remains subject to the presentation of the import document provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1251/78 [2].

Article 2

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

It shall be applicable until 31 December 1979.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 November 1979.

For the Commission

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Vice-President

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(1) OJ No L 124, 8. 6. 1970, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 155, 13. 6. 1978, p. 12.