# COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 3349/80

## of 23 December 1980

## on transitional measures in respect of imports of sheepmeat originating in certain non-member countries qualifying for preferential treatment

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 of 27 June 1980 on the common organization of the market in sheepmeat and goatmeat [1], and in particular Article 33 thereof,

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 laid down a system of import levies for certain sheepmeat and goatmeat products; whereas, before that system came into effect, imports of the said products into the Community were subject to payment of customs duty; whereas, however, certain non-member countries qualified for total or partial exemption from the said customs duties, by virtue of their agreements with the Community;

Whereas, as long as the said agreements or the rules made in consequence thereof have not been amended, products originating in the countries in question should under the new system, continue to enjoy, treatment equivalent to that for which they qualified previously;

Whereas the Management Committee for Sheep and Goats has not delivered an opinion within the time limit set by its chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

1. The import levies provided for in Article 10 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1837/80 shall not be levied on the following products:

— live animals falling within subheading 01.04 B of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the ACP States or in the overseas countries and territories;

— fresh, chilled or frozen meat of sheep and goats, falling within subheading 02.01 A IV of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the ACP States or in the overseas countries and territories;

— salted meat of sheep and goats, falling within subheading 02.06 C II a) of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the ACP States or in the overseas countries and territories;

— fresh, chilled or frozen meat of sheep, other than of domestic sheep or goats, falling within subheading 02.01 A IV of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey;

— salted meat of sheep or goats, other than domestic sheep or goats, falling within subheading 02.06 C II a) of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Turkey.

2. The import levies applicable shall be reduced by 50 % for fresh, chilled or frozen meat of sheep other than domestic sheep or goats, falling within subheading 02.01 A IV of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1981.

It shall apply until 31 December 1981.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 December 1980.

*For the Commission*

Finn GUNDELACH

*Vice-President*

[1] OJ No L 183, 16. 7. 1980, p. 1.