# COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 285/81

## of 20 January 1981

## amending Regulation (EEC) No 1655/76 extending the transitional arrangements for the import of New Zealand butter into the United Kingdom

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the 1972 Act of Accession, and in particular Article 5 (2) of Protocol 18,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas, further to Protocol 18, Council Regulation (EEC) No 1655/76 of 29 June 1976 extending the transitional arrangements for the import of New Zealand butter into the United Kingdom [1] authorized the United Kingdom, as a transitional measure, to import certain quantities of New Zealand butter on special terms from 1978 to 1980; whereas in the interval, while awaiting a Council decision on the Commission's proposal regarding new measures for importing New Zealand butter into the Community, it was appropriate not to cease application of Regulation (EEC) No 1655/76 on 31 December 1980;

Whereas, to this end, Council Regulation (EEC) No 3457/80 [2] fixed a quantity limit for imports during the month of January 1981 at 7 920 tonnes; whereas, because no decision on future imports will have been taken during the month of January 1981, it is justified to extend the possibility of importing New Zealand butter into the United Kingdom on special terms for a limited period until 10 February 1981,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Article 1 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 1655/76 shall be completed by the addition of the following subparagraph:

'The quantity limit shall be fixed at 2 640 tonnes for the period between 1 and 10 February 1981.'

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 February 1981.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 January 1981.

*For the Council*

*The President*

Ch. A. van der KLAAUW

(1) OJ No L 185, 9. 7. 1976, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 360, 31. 12. 1980, p. 19.