COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 535/81

of 27 February 1981

introducing Community surveillance of imports of motor vehicles originating in Japan

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 926/79 of 8 May 1979 on common rules for imports [1], and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Having consulted the Committee set up under the abovementioned Regulation,

Whereas imports into the Community of motor vehicles, originating in Japan, have risen considerably in recent years from 502 600 units in 1977 to over 740 000 units in 1980;

Whereas in 1980 the market share of these imports in the Community was 8·9 %, and even higher than 30 % in certain regions;

Whereas the increase in these imports in 1980 coincided with a significant reduction in demand and in Community exports;

Whereas, in these circumstances, it is in the Community's interest to introduce Community surveillance of these imports,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Imports into the Community of motor vehicles for the transport of persons, including vehicles designed for the transport of both passengers and goods, with either a spark ignition or a compression ignition engine, new, corresponding to NIMEXE codes 87.02-21, 23 and 25, originating in Japan, are hereby made subject to Community surveillance in accordance with the procedures set out in Articles 7 (1) (a) and 11 of Regulation (EEC) No 926/79 and this Regulation.

Article 2

Member States' communications showing the results of surveillance for each month shall be transmitted to the Commission, broken down by NIMEXE code, within the first 20 days of the following month.

Article 3

The reference 'EUR' is hereby added to column 3 of Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 926/79 in respect of NIMEXE codes 87.02-21, 23 and 25.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 March 1981 and shall be valid until 31 December 1981. It shall relate to imports effected from 1 January 1981.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 February 1981.

For the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 131, 29. 5. 1979, p. 15.