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COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 729/81

of 17 March 1981

on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between Austria and the European Economic Community amending the Agreement on price observance and the arrangements for the importation of certain types of cheese

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas at the negotiations under Article XXVIII of GATT on the withdrawal of the concessions made by Austria for products falling within subheading 04.04 A of the Austrian Customs Tariff, Austria and the European Economic Community concluded the Agreement on price observance and import arrangements (1);

Whereas, in order for the objectives of the Agreement to be attained, it is necessary to make certain amendments thereto;

Whereas the consultations provided for in the Agreement have enabled Austria and the European Economic Community to reach agreement on the necessary amendments; whereas that agreement is considered to be satisfactory,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between Austria and the European Economic Community amending the Agreement on price observance and the arrangements for the importation of certain types of cheese is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the said Agreement is attached to this Regulation.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the person empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Community.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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, 17 March 1981.

For the Council

The President

D. F. van der MEI

(1) OJ No L 237, 16. 9. 1977, p. 4.