COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 1119/86

of 17 April 1986

repealing the definitive countervailing duty on imports of certain seamless tubes of non-alloy steels originating in Spain

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2176/84 of 23 July 1984 on protection against dumped or subsidized imports from countries not members of the European Economic Community [1], and in particular Articles 7 and 14 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal submitted by the Commission after consultations within the Advisory Committee provided for in that Regulation,

Whereas the following is the case :

A. Definitive action

1. Regulation (EEC) No 3072/80 [2], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2902/85 [3], imposed a definitive countervailing duty on imports of certain seamless tubes of non-alloy steels originating in Spain and falling within subheadings ex 73.18 B I and ex 73.18 B III of the Common Customs Tariff, corresponding to NIMEXE codes 73.18 ex 13, ex 23, ex 27, ex 28, ex 72 and ex 74.

B. Review

2. In connection with the accession of Spain to the European Communities, the Spanish Government has introduced, with effect from 1 January 1986, a new turnover tax system based on value added (Impuesto sobre el Valor Añadido), which replaced the former cascade turnover tax system (Impuesto sobre el Tráfico de las Empresas y Recargos Provinciales).

C. Repeal of definitive countervailing duty

3. It is considered that as a result of the application of the new tax mentioned in paragraph 2, the refund of the indirect taxes on export corresponds to the indirect taxes borne by the product when destined for domestic consumption and therefore does not, in accordance with Article 3 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 2176/84, constitute a subsidy. Under these circumstances, the definitive countervailing duty is no longer appropriate and, consequently, Regulation (EEC) No 3072/80 should be repealed with effect from 1 January 1986.

4. Under Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 1430/79 [4], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 918/83 [5], importers are entitled to a refund of countervailing duties paid on goods released for free circulation in the Community since 1 January 1986,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 3072/80 is hereby repealed.

Article 2

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

It shall apply as from 1 January 1986.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 17 April 1986.

For the Council

The President

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(1) OJ No L 201, 30. 7. 1984, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 322, 28. 11. 1980, p. 30.
(3) OJ No L 279, 19. 10. 1985, p. 3.
(4) OJ No L 175, 12. 7. 1979, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 105, 23. 4. 1983, p. 1.