COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 152/97

of 28 January 1997

amending Annexes III and V to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 of 12 October 1993 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 of 12 October 1993 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2315/96, and in particular Article 19 thereof [2],

Whereas Council Decision 95/155/EC of 10 April 1995 [3] provisionally applied the Agreement between the European Community and the People's Republic of China on trade in textile products not covered by the MFA bilateral Agreement on trade in textile products initialled on 9 December 1988, as extended and modified by the Exchange of Letters initialled on 8 December 1992;

Whereas the said Agreement, applicable from 1 January 1995 to 31 December 1996, was automatically renewed for a year by virtue of Article 17, not having been denounced by either Party;

Whereas the Community quantitative limits for 1997 should therefore be shown in Appendix C of Annex V to Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93;

Whereas the arrangement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Morocco on trade in textile products provides for a system of special controls applicable to the Tangiers free zone; whereas Table B in Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 mistakenly refers only to the 'Tangiers zone' and this error needs to be corrected;

Whereas Table D in Annex III and Appendix A to Annex V of Regulation 3030/93 also contain two technical errors that need correction;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Textile Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 is amended as follows:

1. in Table B of Annex III the words 'Morocco (only Tangiers zone)' in the 'Third county' column are hereby replaced by the words 'Morocco (only Tangiers free zone)';

2. references to Category 2 in Table D of Annex III are hereby deleted;

3. in Appendix A to Annex V CN code 6204 62 33 is hereby added to the 'Remarks' column for Category 6, Hong Kong;

4. Appendix C of Annex V is hereby replaced by the annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of 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, 28 January 1997.

For the Commission

Leon BRITTAN

Vice-President

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[1] OJ No L 275, 8. 11. 1993, p. 1.
[2] OJ No L 314, 4. 12. 1996, p. 1.
[3] OJ No L 104, 6. 5. 1995, p. 1.

ANNEX

'Appendix C to Annex V

Community quantitative limits

(The complete description of the goods is shown in Annex I (B))

Third country	Category	Unit	Community quantitative limits		
			1995	1996	1997
China	GROUP I				
	ex 20 (1)	tonnes	33	35	37
	ex 39 (1)	tonnes	322	337	354
	GROUP II				
	ex 13 (1)	1 000 pieces	616	634	653
	ex 18 (1)	tonnes	759	793	825
	ex 24 (1)	1 000 pieces	142	149	156
	GROUP IV				
	115	tonnes	979	1 008	1 038
	117	tonnes	466	480	494
	118	tonnes	1 018	1 059	1 101
	120	tonnes	401	417	434
	122	tonnes	137	143	149
	123	tonnes	68	71	74
	GROUP V				
	124 (2)	tonnes	749	779	810
	125 A	tonnes	16	16	16
	125 B	tonnes	29	31	33
	126	tonnes	16	16	16
	127 A	tonnes	21	22	23
	127 B	tonnes	10	11	12
	136 A	tonnes	320	333	346
	140	tonnes	105	109	113
	145	tonnes	21	22	23
	146 A	tonnes	125	130	135
	146 B	tonnes	188	196	204
	151 B	tonnes	1 933	2 011	2 091
	156 (3)	tonnes	2 588	2 679	2 786
	157 (3)	tonnes	10 250	10 506	10 716
	159 (3)	tonnes	3 950	3 990	4 030
	160	tonnes	44	45	46
	161 (3)	tonnes	13 136	13 465	13 869

(1) Categories marked by 'ex' cover products other than those of wool or fine animal hairs, cotton or synthetic or artificial textile materials.

(2) This limit does not apply to fibres of polyvinyl alcohol falling within CN code ex 5503 90 90.

(3) For these categories, China undertakes to give users belonging to the Community textile industry priority access to 23 % of the quantitative limits concerned for 90 days beginning on 1 January of each year.'