COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2407/97

of 3 December 1997

on additional quantities of textile products to be made available to Vietnam

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 Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/97 [2], and in particular Article 8 thereof,

Whereas, following unsatisfied demand within the Community, European industry and certain Member States have requested that additional quantities be made available for Vietnam for categories 5, 21, 28, 68 and 78 for the quota year 1997;

Whereas, for the categories concerned, the flexibility provisions specified in Annex VIII to Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93, as available in 1997 have been fully utilized;

Whereas, as was already the case for 1996, Vietnam is willing to take appropriate measures to take account of the granting of the additional quantities in the management of its exports in 1998;

Whereas negotiations for the renewal of the existing agreement are under way and are expected to be concluded before the end of 1997;

Whereas the quantities in question, in relation to total imports of these products into the European Community, are unlikely to cause market disruption;

Whereas Article 8 of Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 allows the Commission to open up additional opportunities for imports under particular circumstances;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following additional quantities shall be made available to Vietnam, for which it can issue export licences during the quota year 1997:

— category 5:	68 000 pieces
— category 21:	411 000 pieces
— category 28:	122 000 pieces
— category 68:	16 tonnes
— category 78:	27 tonnes.

Article 2

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, 3 December 1997.

For the Commission

Leon BRITTAN

Vice-President

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[1] OJ L 275, 8. 11. 1993, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 198, 25. 7. 1997, p. 1.