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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 40/97

of 20 December 1996

concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from Slovakia to the Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 1997 (extension of the double-checking system)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas a Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic [1], of the other part, entered into force on 1 February 1995;

Whereas the Parties decided, in Decision No ..../96 of the Association Council, association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic, of the other part [2], to extend the double-checking system introduced by Decision No 2/95 [3] for the period between 1 January and 31 December 1997 subject to certain amendments;

Whereas it is consequently appropriate to amend Council Regulation (EC) No 3054/95 of 22 December 1995 concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from certain third countries to the European Communities [4],

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 3054/95 shall continue to apply for the period between 1 January and 31 December 1997, in accordance with Decision No ..../96 of the Association Council [2], subject to the amendments shown in Article 2 of this Regulation. In the preamble and Article 1 (1) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 3054/95, references to the period 1 January to 31 December 1996 shall be replaced by references to 1 January to 31 December 1997. Article 1 (4) of that Regulation shall be deleted.

Article 2

1. Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 3054/95 shall be replaced by the text contained in the Annex to this Regulation.

2. In Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 3054/95, 'Export Licence' shall be replaced by 'Export Document'.

Article 3

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

It shall apply with effect from 1 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 December 1996.

For the Council

The President

S. BARRETT

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[1] OJ No L 359, 31. 12. 1994, p. 2.
[2] Decision at present being published.
[3] OJ No L 325, 30. 12. 1995, p. 65.
[4] OJ No L 325, 30. 12. 1995, p. 1.

ANNEX

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SLOVAKIA

List of products subject to double checking (1997)

Hot-rolled coils and pickled coils

7208 10 00
7208 25 00
7208 26 00
7208 27 00
7208 36 00
7208 37 10
7208 37 90
7208 38 10
7208 38 90
7208 39 10
7208 39 90

7219 11 00
7219 12 10
7219 12 90
7219 13 10
7219 14 10
7219 14 90

7225 19 10
7225 20 20
7225 30 00

Cut lengths

7208 40 10
7208 40 90
7208 51 10
7208 51 99
7208 52 10
7208 52 99
7208 53 10
7208 53 90
7208 54 10
7208 54 90
7208 90 10
7208 90 90

Cold-rolled sheets and coils

7209 15 00
7209 16 90
7209 17 90
7209 18 91
7209 18 99
7209 25 00
7209 26 90
7209 27 90
7209 28 90
7209 90 10
7209 90 90

Hot-rolled strip and hoop

7211 14 10
7211 14 90
7211 19 20
7211 19 90

7212 60 91

7220 11 00
7220 12 00
7220 90 31

7226 19 10
7226 20 20
7226 91 10
7226 91 90
7226 93 20
7226 94 20
7226 99 20

Cold-rolled strip and hoop

7211 23 10
7211 23 51
7211 23 99
7211 29 20
7211 90 19
7211 90 90

7226 92 90
7226 93 80
7226 94 80
7226 99 80

Hot dip galvanised sheets, coils and strip

7210 11 90
7210 41 10
7210 41 90
7210 49 10
7210 49 90
7210 61 10

7212 30 90

Tinplate in coils, sheet and strip

7210 11 10
7210 12 11
7210 70 31
7210 70 39

7212 10 99

Non oriented grain steel sheets, coils and strip for electrotechnics

7209 17 10
7209 27 10

7211 23 91'