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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2676/2000

of 4 December 2000

amending the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2042/2000 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of television camera systems originating in Japan

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 384/96 of 22 December 1995 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Community [1],

Having regard to the proposal submitted by the Commission after consulting the Advisory Committee,

Whereas:

A. PREVIOUS PROCEDURE

(1) The Council, by Regulation (EC) No 1015/94 [2], imposed a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of television camera systems ('TCS') originating in Japan.

(2) The Council specifically excluded from the scope of the anti-dumping duty professional camera systems listed in the Annex to that Regulation ('the Annex'), representing high-end professional cameras systems technically falling within the product definition under Article 1(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1015/94, but which cannot be regarded as television camera systems, due to the fact that they cannot be used for broadcast purposes.

(3) In October 1995, the Council, by Regulation (EC) No 2474/95 [3], amended the abovementioned Regulation (EC) No 1015/94, in particular as regards the like product definition and as regards certain models of professional camera systems which were explicitly exempted from the definitive anti-dumping duty.

(4) In October 1997, the Council, by Regulation (EC) No 1952/97 [4], amended the rates of the definitive anti-dumping duty for two companies concerned, namely for Sony Corporation and Ikegami Tsushinki in accordance with Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 384/96 (the 'Basic Regulation'). Furthermore, the Council specifically excluded from the scope of the anti-dumping duty certain new models of professional camera systems by adding them to the Annex.

(5) In January 1999 and 2000, the Council by Regulation (EC) No 193/1999 [5] and Regulation (EC) No 176/2000 [6], further amended Regulation (EC) No 1015/94 adding certain successor models of professional camera systems to the Annex and thus excluding those from the application of the definitive anti-dumping duty.

(6) In September 2000, the Council by Regulation (EC) No 2042/2000 [7], confirmed the definitive anti-dumping duties imposed by Regulation (EC) No 1015/94 in accordance with Article 11(2) of the basic Regulation.

B. INVESTIGATION CONCERNING NEW MODELS OF PROFESSIONAL CAMERA SYSTEMS

1. Procedure

(7) One Japanese exporting producer, namely Matsushita, informed the Commission that it intended to introduce new models of professional camera systems into the Community market and requested to add these new models of professional camera systems including their accessories to the Annex and thus exempt them from the scope of the anti-dumping duties.

(8) The Commission informed the Community industry accordingly and commenced an investigation limited to the determination of whether the products under consideration fall within the scope of the anti-dumping duties and whether the operational part of Regulation (EC) No 1015/94 should be amended accordingly.

[1] OJ L 56, 6.3.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2238/2000 (OJ L 257, 11.10.2000, p. 2).
[2] OJ L 111, 30.4.1994, p. 106. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 176/2000 (OJ L 22, 27.1.2000, p. 29).
[3] OJ L 255, 25.10.1995, p. 11.
[4] OJ L 276, 9.10.1997, p. 20.
[5] OJ L 22, 29.1.1999, p. 10.
[6] OJ L 22, 27.1.2000, p. 29.
[7] OJ L 244, 29.9.2000, p. 38.

2. **Models under investigation**

(9) The application received concerned the following models of professional camera systems, supplied with the relevant technical information:

— camera head AW-E600 and AW-E800,

— new accessories to camera head AW-E600 and AW-E800:

  — viewfinder WV-VF65B,

  — remote control unit WV-RC700A and WV-RC550 (camera control unit),

  — remote control box WV-CB700A and WV-CB550 (camera control unit),

  — hybrid control panel AW-RP501 and AW-RP505 (camera control unit).

All above models were presented as being part of professional camera systems dedicated to the professional video market.

3. **Findings**

(10) The Commission carried out a technical examination including a detailed comparison of the models concerned with their predecessor models already listed in the Annex and found that they were almost identical. The differences found are the result of the technical development in the sector of professional camera systems but did not affect the classification of the models investigated as professional camera systems. Therefore, it was concluded that all models concerned should be excluded from the scope of the existing anti-dumping measures.

(11) The Commission informed the Community producers and the exporter of the TCS of its findings and provided them with an opportunity to present their views. On this basis and in the light of the fact that the interested parties did not object to the Commission's conclusions, all models and related equipment listed in recital 9 shall be considered as professional camera systems. It follows that they should be exempted from the application of the anti-dumping duty applicable on TCS originating in Japan, and the Annex should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2042/2000 shall be replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that 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, 4 December 2000.

For the Council

The President

H. VÉDRINE

ANNEX

List of professional camera systems not qualified as broadcast camera systems which are exempted from the measures

Company name	Camera heads	Viewfinder	Camera control unit	Operational control unit	Master control unit (*)	Camera adapters
Sony	DXC-M7PK	DXF-3000CE	CCU-M3P	RM-M7G	—	CA-325P
	DXC-M7P	DXF-325CE	CCU-M5P			CA-325AP
	DXC-M7PH	DXF-501CE	CCU-M7P			CA-325B
	DXC-M7PK/1	DXF-M3CE				CA-327P
	DXC-M7P/1	DXF-M7CE				CA-537P
	DXC-M7PH/1	DXF-40CE				CA-511
	DXC-327PK	DXF-40ACE				CA-512P
	DXC-327PL	DXF-50CE				CA-513
	DXC-327PH	DXF-601CE				VCT-U14 [1]
	DXC-327APK	DXF-40BCE				
	DXC-327APL	DXF-50BCE				
	DXC-327AH	DXF-701CE				
	DXC-537PK	DXF-WSCE [1]				
	DXC-537PL					
	DXC-537PH					
	DXC-537APK					
	DXC-537APL					
	DXC-537APH					
	EVW-537PK					
	EVW-327PK					
	DXC-637P					
	DXC-637PK					
	DXC-637PL					
	DXC-637PH					
	PVW-637PK					
	PVW-637PL					
	DXC-D30PF					
	DXC-D30PK					
	DXC-D30PL					
	DXC-D30PH					
	DSR-130PF					
	DSR-130PK					
	DSR-130PL					
	PVW-D30PF					
	PVW-D30PK					
	PVW-D30PL					
	DXC-327BPF					
	DXC-327BPK					
	DXC-327BPL					
	DXC-327BPH					
	DXC-D30WSP [1]					

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Ikegami	HC-340 HC-300 HC-230 HC-240 HC-210 HC-390 LK-33 HDL-30MA HDL-37 HC-400 (1) HC-400W (1)	VF15-21/22 VF-4523 VF15-39 VF15-46 (1) VF5040 (1) VF5040W (1)	MA-200/230 MA-200A (1)	RCU-240 RCU-390 (1)	—	CA-340 CA-300 CA-230 CA-390 CA-400 (1)
Hitachi	SK-H5 SK-H501 DK-7700 DK-7700SX HV-C10 HV-C11 HV-C10F Z-ONE (L) Z-ONE (H) Z-ONE Z-ONE A (L) Z-ONE A (H) Z-ONE A (F) Z-ONE A Z-ONE B (L) Z-ONE B (H) Z-ONE B (F) Z-ONE B Z-ONE B (M) Z-ONE B (R) FP-C10 (B) FP-C10 (C) FP-C10 (D) FP-C10 (G) FP-C10 (L) FP-C10 (R) FP-C10 (S) FP-C10 (V) FP-C10 (F) FP-C10 FP-C10 A FP-C10 A (A) FP-C10 A (B)	GM-5 (A) GM-5-R2 (A) GM-5-R2 GM-50 GM-8A (1) GM-9 (1) GM-51 (1)	RU-C1 (B) RU-C1 (D) RU-C1 RU-C1-S5 RU-C10 (B) RU-C10 (C) RC-C1 RC-C10 RU-C10 RU-Z1 (B) RU-Z1 (C) RU-Z1 RC-C11 RU-Z2 RC-Z1 RC-Z11 RC-Z2 RC-Z21 RC-Z2A (1) RC-Z21A (1)	—	—	CA-Z1 CA-Z2 CA-Z1SJ CA-Z1SP CA-Z1M CA-Z1M2 CA-Z1HB CA-C10 CA-C10SP CA-C10SJA CA-C10M CA-C10B CA-Z1A (1) CA-Z31 (1) CA-Z32 (1)

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Hitachi *(cont'd)*	FP-C10 A (C) FP-C10 A (D) FP-C10 A (F) FP-C10 A (G) FP-C10 A (H) FP-C10 A (L) FP-C10 A (R) FP-C10 A (S) FP-C10 A (T) FP-C10 A (V) FP-C10 A (W) Z-ONE C (M) Z-ONE C (R) Z-ONE C (F) Z-ONE C HV-C20 HV-C20M Z-ONE-D Z-ONE-D (A) Z-ONE-D (B) Z-ONE-D (C) Z-ONE.DA (1) V-21 (1) V-21W (1)					
Matsushita	WV-F700 WV-F700A WV-F700SHE WV-F700ASHE WV-F700BHE WV-F700ABHE WV-F700MHE WV-F350 WV-F350HE WV-F350E WV-F350AE WV-F350DE WV-F350ADE WV-F500HE (*) WV-F565HE AW-F575HE AW-E600 AW-E800	WV-VF65BE WV-VF40E WV-VF39E WV-VF65BE (*) WV-VF40E (*) WV-VF42E WV-VF65B	WV-RC700/B WV-RC700/G WV-RC700A/B WV-RC700A/G WV-RC36/B WV-RC36/G WV-RC37/B WV-RC37/G WV-CB700E WV-CB700AE WV-CB700E (*) WV-CB700AE (*) WV-RC700/B (*) WV-RC700/G (*) WV-RC700A/B (*) WV-RC700A/G (*) WV-RC550/G WV-RC550/B WV-RC700A WV-CB700A WV-RC550 WV-CB550 AW-RP501 AW-RP505	—	—	WV-AD700SE WV-AD700ASE WV-AD700ME WV-AD250E WV-AD500E (*) AW-AD500AE AW-AD700BSE

Company name	Camera heads	Viewfinder	Camera control unit	Operational control unit	Master control unit (*)	Camera adapters
JVC	KY-35E KY-27ECH KY-19ECH KY-17FITECH KY-17BECH KY-F30FITE KY-F30BE KY-27CECH KH-100U KY-D29ECH KY-D29WECH (1)	VF-P315E VF-P550E VF-P10E VP-P115E VF-P400E VP-P550BE VF-P116 VF-P116WE (1) VF-P550WE (1)	RM-P350EG RM-P200EG RM-P300EG RM-LP80E RM-LP821E RM-LP35U RM-LP37U RM-P270EG	—	—	KA-35E KA-B35U KA-M35U KA-P35U KA-27E KA-20E KA-P27U KA-P20U KA-B27E KA-B20E KA-M20E KA-M27E
Olympus	MAJ-387N MAJ-387I		OTV-SX2 OTV-S5 OTV-S6			
	Camera OTV-SX					

(*) Also called master set up unit (MSU) or master control panel (MCP).
(1) Models exempted under the condition that the corresponding triax system or triax-adaptor is not sold on the EC-market.