EUROPEAN FREE TRADE ASSOCIATION

1960 No. 908

The Import Duties (European Free Trade Association) Order, 1960

Made - - - -	*24th May*, 1960
Laid before the House of Commons	*27th May*, 1960
Coming into Operation	*1st July*, 1960

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by sections one, two and thirteen of the Import Duties Act, 1958(a), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, on the recommendation of the Board of Trade hereby make the following Order :—

1. This Order applies to goods grown, produced or manufactured in, and consigned to the United Kingdom from a place in, the Convention area, other than goods of any description specified in the First Schedule to this Order which do not fall within the Second Schedule thereto.

2. Where goods to which this Order applies are imported into the United Kingdom and (apart from this Order) import duty would be charged on that importation under the Import Duties (General) Order, 1958(b), then—

(*a*) in the case of goods of any description specified in the first column of the Second Schedule to this Order—

(i) if a rate of duty is shown in relation to the goods in the second column of the said Second Schedule, the amount of duty chargeable as aforesaid shall be determined as if the said rate were substituted for the relevant rate shown in the second column of the Schedule to the Import Duties (General) Order, 1958,

(ii) if no rate of duty is shown in relation to the goods in the second column of the said Second Schedule, no import duty shall be charged ;

(*b*) in the case of goods of any description not so specified, the amount of duty chargeable as aforesaid shall be determined as if the relevant rate shown in the second column of the Schedule to the Import Duties (General) Order, 1958, were less by one-fifth.

3.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Import Duties (European Free Trade Association) Order, 1960.

(2) References in the Schedules to this Order to Chapters, headings or sub-headings are references to Chapters, headings or sub-headings of the Customs Tariff, 1959.

(3) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(4) This Order shall come into operation on the first day of July, nineteen hundred and sixty.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of May, 1960.

R. Brooman-White,
Michael Hughes-Young,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

(a) 6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 6. (b) S.I. 1958/973 (1958 I, p. 454). (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

FIRST SCHEDULE

GOODS TO WHICH THIS ORDER DOES NOT APPLY

Description of goods

Goods of any heading of Chapter 1 or 2.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 3 except fillets of fish, chilled or frozen, falling within heading 03.01 and except peeled prawns, chilled or frozen, falling within heading 03.03, other than Dublin Bay prawns.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 4.

Goods of heading 05.04.

Goods of heading 05.15 except blood powder, blood plasma, and salted fish roes

Goods of any heading of Chapter 6, 7 or 8.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 9 except 09.03.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 10 or 11.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 12 other than 12.07; the following goods of heading 12.07, that is to say, basil, borage, mint (excluding dried peppermint and pennyroyal), rosemary and sage.

Pectin (of heading 13.03).

Goods of heading 15.01, 15.02, 15.03, 15.06 or 15.07.

Goods of heading 15.12 except fats and oils wholly obtained from fish or marine mammals.

Goods of heading 15.13.

Goods of heading 16.01, 16.02 or 16.03.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 17 other than 17.04; the following goods of heading 17.04, that is to say, fondant, pastes, creams and similar intermediate products, in bulk, containing 80 per cent. or more by weight of added sweetening matter.

Goods of heading 18.01 or 18.02.

Goods of heading 19.02, 19.03 or 19.04.

Goods of heading 19.07 except ships' biscuits, crumbs and rusks.

Goods of heading 19.08 except biscuits, wafers, rusks, cakes without covering or filling, and pastry of the kind known as Danish pastry.

Goods of any heading of Chapter 20 except the following goods of heading 20.02, that is to say, tomato pulp or paste, in airtight containers, wholly of tomato and water apart from salt or any other preserving, seasoning or flavouring ingredients, the dry weight of the tomato in any container being not less than 25 per cent. of the weight of its entire contents.

Pressed yeast (of heading 21.06).

The following goods of heading 21.07, that is to say—

(*a*) ice cream (containing fat) but not including ice cream powder;

(*b*) mixtures of water and emulsifying agents with fat or oil (not including synthetic cream);

(*c*) coffee pastes (mixtures of ground, roasted coffee with vegetable fats, with or without other ingredients);

(*d*) sweetfat (mixtures of edible fats and sugar);

(*e*) ravioli, macaroni, spaghetti and the like, cooked (other than rice and other whole cereal grains), whether or not stuffed with other substances or admixed with tomato sauce.

Goods of heading 22.04, 22.05, 22.06, 22.07 or 22.10.

Goods of heading 23.02, 23.03, or 23.04.

Goods of heading 23.06 except seaweed meal

Goods of heading 23.07 except fish solubles.

Goods of heading 24.01.

Goods of heading 35.01 except casein glues.

SECOND SCHEDULE

PARTICULAR CONVENTION RATES OF DUTY

Description of goods	Convention rate
Pork (including ham and bacon), not canned or bottled, falling within sub-heading 02.06 (A) (4)	5%
Canned cream falling within sub-heading 04.02 (B)	—
Goods of sub-heading 04.04 (A) (1)	—
Goods of sub-heading 16.02 (C) (1) (*b*) (i) ...	2½%
The following goods of sub-heading 16.02 (C) (1) (*b*) (iii), that is to say, ground or chopped pork (including ham and bacon), in airtight containers, wholly of pork (including ham and bacon) and farinaceous fillers apart from any curing or seasoning ingredients.	5%
Goods of sub-heading 27.10 (B) (1)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 32.09 (B) (1) (*c*) (i) ...	11%
Goods of sub-heading 32.09 (B) (3) (*a*)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 32.09 (B) (4) (*a*)	17%
Goods of sub-heading 34.03 (B) (1)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 34.05 (A)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 38.11 (B) (1) (*a*)	9% or such greater rate as is equal to four-fifths of the amount or aggregate amount of the duty chargeable, apart from this Order, on such constituents as are mentioned in that sub-heading.
Goods of sub-heading 38.11 (B) (2) (*a*)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 38.18 (B) (1) (*a*)	9% or such greater rate as is equal to four-fifths of the amount or aggregate amount of the duty chargeable, apart from this Order, on such constituents as are mentioned in that sub-heading.
Goods of sub-heading 38.18 (B) (2) (*a*)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 38.19 (H) (1) (*a*) ...	9% or such greater rate as is equal to four-fifths of the amount or aggregate amount of the duty chargeable, apart from this Order, on such constituents as are mentioned in that sub-heading.
Goods of sub-heading 38.19 (H) (2) (*a*)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 39.01 (D) (1)	9%
Goods of sub-heading 40.06 (C)	17%
The following goods of sub-heading 73.10 (D) or 73.15 (D) (6) (*b*), that is to say, rods, not exceeding 0·6 inch in diameter, in coils weighing not less than 1½ cwt., of steel containing by weight the following:—	—

	Not less than per cent.	*Not more than per cent.*
Carbon	0·55	1·05
Sulphur and phosphorus together	—	0·05
Silicon	0·1	0·25
All other elements together (except iron and manganese)	—	0·1

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note does not form part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport)

This Order reduces the import duty chargeable under the Import Duties Act, 1958, on certain goods grown, produced or manufactured in, and consigned from a place in, the Convention area.

The Convention area is defined in section 10 (1) of the European Free Trade Association Act, 1960, and at present covers Austria, Denmark, the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands, Liechtenstein, Norway (including Spitzbergen), Portugal (including the Azores and Madeira), Sweden and Switzerland.

The reduction is one-fifth of the existing rates of import duty except in the case of (*a*) the goods specified in the First Schedule to the Order (but not in the Second Schedule), no reduction in the rates of duty being made for these, and (*b*) the goods specified in the Second Schedule, which are to be charged at the particular Convention rates shown in that Schedule or, in the case of canned cream, blue veined cheese and certain steel rods, are to be free of import duty.