STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 1569

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

The Import Duties (Morocco and Tunisia) (Reductions) Order 1973

Made - - -	10*th September* 1973
Laid before the House of Commons	10*th September* 1973
Coming into Operation	1*st October* 1973

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by sections 1, 3(6) and 13 of the Import Duties Act 1958(**a**), as amended by section 5(5) of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 4 to, the European Communities Act 1972(**b**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State(**c**), hereby make the following Order:

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Import Duties (Morocco and Tunisia) (Reductions) Order 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1973.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**d**) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. This Order applies to goods which—

(*a*) are to be regarded under the Agreement, signed on 2nd March 1973, between the European Economic Community and Morocco(**e**) as originating in Morocco or

(*b*) are to be regarded under the Agreement, signed on 28th February 1973, between the said Community and Tunisia(**f**) as originating in Tunisia or,

(*c*) being products of a class excluded from the scope of the Protocols to the said Agreements (relating to origin of goods), are nevertheless goods of Morocco or Tunisia.

3.—(1) Up to and including 31st December 1973 any import duty which is for the time being chargeable on goods of any heading or subheading of the Customs Tariff 1959 specified in Schedule 1 hereto shall be chargeable at 80 per cent. of the full rate in the case of goods to which this Order applies.

(a) 1958 c. 6. **(b)** 1972 c. 68.

(c) *See* S.I. 1970/1537 (1970 III, p. p. 5293). **(d)** 1889 c. 63.

(e) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2285/73 (O.J. No. L239, 27.8.73, p. 1).

(f) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2286/73 (O.J. No. L239, 27.8.73, p. 19).

(2) Up to and including 31st December 1973 any import duty which is for the time being chargeable on goods of any subheading of the Customs Tariff 1959 specified in the first column of Schedule 2 hereto shall be chargeable at the relevant rate, if any, specified in the second column of that Schedule in the case of goods to which this Order applies.

4.—(1) Article 3 above shall operate without prejudice to any relief from duty which may be available in the case of goods to which this Order applies under section 1 of the Finance Act 1971(**a**) (relating to goods of developing countries).

(2) For the purposes of classification under the Customs Tariff 1959, insofar as that depends on the rate of duty, any goods to which Article 3 above applies shall be treated as chargeable with the same duty as if this Order had not been made.

Hugh Rossi,
Oscar Murton,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

10th September 1973.

SCHEDULE 1

HEADINGS AND SUBHEADINGS SUBJECT TO A REDUCTION OF 20% IN DUTY

02.01 (A)(IV)(*b*)
02.04

All headings and subheadings of Chapter 3

All headings and subheadings of Chapter 5 except:—
05.04
05.15(B)
07.05 (B)
09.04 (A)(II)
(B)
09.09 and 09.10
12.07 and 12.08

All headings and subheadings of Chapter 13 except:—
13.03 (B)(I)(*a*)
(II)(*a*)

(**a**) 1971 c. 68.

All headings and subheadings of Chapter 14 and 15 except:
15.01 to 15.04 (inclusive)
15.07
15.12 and 15.13
15.17
16.04 (A)
(B)(II)
(III)
(C)(II)
(F)(III)
(G)(II)
16.05
17.04

All headings and subheadings of Chapters 18 and 19

All headings and subheadings of Chapter 21
22.01
22.02
22.09 (B)(II)
23.01

All headings and subheadings of Chapters 25 to 44 (inclusive) except:
28.04 (B)
30.03 (A)(2)
32.01 (A)
(C)(I)
32.05 (D)
38.11 (B)(I)
38.14 (B)
38.18 (B)(I)(*a*)
(*b*)
38.19 (IJ)(1)
44.15 (A)(1)

All headings and subheadings of Chapters 46 to 72 (inclusive) except:
54.01
57.01

All headings and subheadings of Chapter 73 except:—
73.01 (A)
(B)
(C)
(D)(II)
73.02 (A)(I)
73.03
73.05 (B)
73.06
73.07 (A)(I)
(B)(I)

73.08 and 73.09
73.10 (A)
(D)(I)(*a*)
73.11 (A)(I)
(A)(IV)(*a*)(1)
(B)
73.12 (A)
(B)(I)
(C)(III)(*a*)
(C)(V)(*a*)(1)
73.13 (A)
(B)(I)
(B)(II)(*b*)
(B)(III)
(B)(IV)(*b*)
(B)(IV)(*c*)
(B)(IV)(*d*)
(B)(V)(*a*)(2)
73.15 (A)(I)(*b*)
(A)(III)
(A)(IV)
(A)(V)(*b*)
73.15 (A)(V)(*d*)(1)(*aa*)
(A)(VI)(*a*)
(A)(VI)(*c*)(1)(*aa*)
(A)(VII)(*a*)
(A)(VII)(*b*)(2)
(A)(VII)(*c*)
(A)(VII)(*d*)(1)
(B)(I)(*b*)
(B)(III) and (IV)
(B)(V)(*b*)
(B)(V)(*d*)(1)(*aa*)
(B)(VI)(*a*)
(B)(VI)(*c*)(1)(*aa*)
(B)(VII)(*a*)
(B)(VII)(*b*)(1)
(B)(VII)(*b*)(2)(*bb*)
(B)(VII)(*b*)(3)
(B)(VII)(*b*)(4)(*aa*)
73.16 (A)(II)
(B)
(C)
(D)(I)

All headings and subheadings of Chapters 74 to 99 (inclusive) except:-

98.10 (A)(I)

SCHEDULE 2

SPECIFIC REDUCTIONS

Tariff Heading	Rate of Import Duty (if any)
28.04 (B)	—
30.03 (A)(2)	5·2% 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 subheading.
32.01 (A) (C)(I)	—
32.05 (D)	8%
38.11 (B)(1) and 38.14 (B)	6·4% 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 subheading.
38.18 (B)(1)(*a*)	2·4% or such greater rate as is equal to four-fifths of the amount or aggregate amount by which the duty chargeable, apart from this Order, on such constituents as are mentioned in subheading 38.18 (B)(1) exceeds 7%, in addition to any hydrocarbon oil duty.
38.18 (B)(1)(*b*)	6·4% 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 subheading 38.18 (B)(1).
38.19 (IJ)(I)	6·4% 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 subheading.
44.15 (A)(1)	—

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which comes into effect on 1st October 1973, implements obligations of the United Kingdom concerning import duties in 1973 under the Agreements between the European Economic Community and Morocco and Tunisia.

The full rate of duty is reduced by 20 per cent in the case of goods listed in Schedule 1 to the Order. Specific reductions in duty (and in three cases exemption from duty) apply to certain other goods listed in Schedule 2. These reductions (which are the first in a series of reductions to be made under the Agreements) do not affect any entitlement to relief from import duty which may be available to Moroccan or Tunisian goods as goods of developing countries under the Finance Act 1971.

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