STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 1630

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

The Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 17) Order 1975

Made - - - - - - -	*8th October* 1975
Laid before the House of Commons	*9th October* 1975
Coming into Operation - - -	*4th November* 1975

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(**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:—

Citation, operation, interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 17) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 4th November 1975.

(2) In this Order—

a reference to a heading is a reference to a heading of the Customs Tariff 1959;

"the relevant date" in relation to any goods specified in column 2 of the Schedule hereto means 31st December 1975, or, if an earlier date is there specified in relation to the goods, the date so specified.

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

Intra-Community Trade

2. Up to and including the relevant date, no import duty shall be charged on goods which fall within a heading specified in column 1 of the Schedule hereto and are of a description specified in column 2 thereof if they satisfy the requisite conditions to benefit from Regulation (EEC) 385/73(**e**) (relating to goods entitled to benefit from the eventual abolition of customs duties in trade between member States of the European Communities).

The Full Rate

3.—(1) Up to and including the relevant date, in the case of goods which fall within a heading specified in column 1 of the Schedule hereto and are of a description specified in column 2 thereof—

(*a*) if a rate of duty is shown in column 3 thereof in relation to the goods, import duty shall be charged at the rate so shown instead of any higher rate which would otherwise apply; and

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(**a**) 1958 c. 6.
(**b**) *See* paragraph 1 of Schedule 4 to the European Communities Act 1972 (c. 68).
(**c**) *See* S.I. 1970/1537 (1970 III, p. 5293).
(**d**) 1889 c. 63.
(**e**) O.J. No. L42, 14.2.1973, p. 1.

(*b*) if no entry appears in the said column 3 in relation to them, no reduction in duty applies to such goods by virtue of this Article.

(2) Paragraph (1) above shall operate without prejudice to the exemption provided for by Article 2 above and any exemptions or greater reductions provided for by Articles 4 and 5 below.

Cyprus, Egypt

4.—(1) Up to and including the relevant date, any import duty for the time being chargeable on goods which fall within a heading specified in column 1 of the Schedule hereto and are of a description specified in column 2 thereof shall be charged—

(*a*) at the rate, if any, shown in column 4 thereof in relation to the description if the goods originate in Cyprus;

(*b*) at the rate, if any, shown in column 5 thereof in relation to the description if the goods originate in Egypt.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) above goods shall be regarded as originating:

(*a*) in Cyprus if they are to be so regarded under the Agreement, signed on 19th December 1972, between the European Economic Community and Cyprus(**a**);

(*b*) in Egypt if they are to be so regarded under the Agreement, signed on 18th December 1972, between the European Economic Community and Egypt(**b**);

(3) If no entry appears in column 4 or 5 of the Schedule hereto in relation to goods of a description specified in column 2 thereof, no reduction in duty applies by virtue of this Article to goods of that description originating in Cyprus or Egypt.

(4) This Article shall operate without prejudice to any greater reduction in, or to any exemption from, import duties which may be available apart from this Order in the case of goods herein referred to by virtue of their being goods of a developing country or goods qualifying for Commonwealth preference or otherwise.

Greece, Israel, Morocco, Tunisia, Turkey

5.—(1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this Article, up to and including the relevant date, no import duty shall be charged on goods which fall within a heading specified in column 1 of the Schedule hereto and are of a description specified in column 2 thereof if the goods originate in Greece, Israel, Morocco, Tunisia or Turkey.

(2) The exemption provided for by paragraph (1) of this Article shall not apply to goods (other than goods originating in Israel) which are of a description specified in column 2 of the Schedule hereto followed by the letters "ECSC".

(3) For the purposes of this Article goods shall be regarded as originating:

(*a*) In Greece if they are to be regarded as being in free circulation in Greece under Article 7 of the Agreement, signed on 9th July 1961, establishing an association between the European Economic Community and Greece(**c**) as modified by the Additional Protocol, signed

(**a**) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 1246/73 (O.J. No. L133, 21.5.1973, p. 1).
(**b**) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2409/73 (O.J. No. L251, 7.9.1973, p. 1).
(**c**) The Agreement is annexed to Decision (EEC) 63/106 (O.J. No. 26, 18.2.1963, p. 293/63).

on 28th April 1975, between the European Economic Community and Greece(**a**);

(*b*) In Israel if they are to be so regarded under the Agreement, signed on 11th May 1975, between the European Economic Community and Israel(**b**);

(*c*) In Morocco if they are to be so regarded under the Agreement, signed on 31st March 1969, between the European Economic Community and Morocco(**c**);

(*d*) In Tunisia if they are to be so regarded under the Agreement, signed on 28th March 1969, between the European Economic Community and Tunisia(**d**);

(*e*) In Turkey if they are to be so regarded, or are to be regarded as in free circulation in Turkey, under:

(i) the Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and Turkey(**e**) or

(ii) the Decision of the Association Council No. 4/72 of 29th September 1972 annexed to Regulation (EEC) 428/73(**f**).

Miscellaneous

6.—(1) Any description of goods in column 2 of the Schedule to this Order shall be taken to comprise all goods which would be classified under an entry in the same terms constituting a subheading in the relevant heading in the Customs Tariff 1959.

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

James A. Dunn,
Donald R. Coleman,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

8th October 1975.

(**a**) *See* O.J. No. 123, 15.5.1975, p. 1. (**b**) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 1274/75 (O.J. No. L136, 28.5.1975, p. 1). (**c**) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2285/73 (O.J. No. L239, 27.8.1973, p. 1). (**d**) The Agreement is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2286/73 (O.J. No. L239, 27.8.1973, p. 105).
(**e**) The Protocol is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2760/72 (O.J. No. L293, 29.12.1972, p. 1).
(**f**) O.J. No. L59, 5.3.1973, p. 73.

SCHEDULE

GOODS SUBJECT TO TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN OR EXEMPTION FROM IMPORT DUTY

TARIFF HEADING	DESCRIPTION	RATES OF DUTY %		
		FULL	CYPRUS	EGYPT
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
28.17	Sodium hydroxide, aqueous solution, containing not less than 680 grammes and not more than 770 grammes per litre	—	3.4	5.2
29.25	Paracetamol (up to and including 30 November 1975)	13.6	4	6.1
68.13	Asbestos paper, rubber impregnated, in rolls, being not less than 0·55 millimetre and not more than 0·85 millimetre in thickness, weighing not less than 500 grammes and not more than 820 grammes per square metre, and having a loss on ignition at 1,000° centigrade of not less than 24·0 per cent. by weight and not more than 32·0 per cent. by weight for use in the production of cushioned vinyl flooring	—	3	4.5
73.10	Wire rod, or iron or steel, of circular cross-section and in coils, containing not less than 0·0005 per cent. by weight of boron (ECSC) ...	7	—	—
73.12	Steel strip in coils, cold-rolled and edge-sheared but not plated, and having, on one side only, a mirror finish with a specular reflectivity of not less than 40 per cent. as measured in accordance with the method of testing in British Standard 1615, appendix Q; of a width of not less than 203 millimetres and not more than 458 millimetres and a thickness of not less than 0·2 millimetre and not more than 1·3 millimetres ...	—	1·4% + wig of 0·9% or £0·6613 per tonne	2·1% + wig of 1·4% or £0·9921 per tonne
73.18	Oilwell casing, being steel pipes externally threaded at both ends and having a steel coupling screwed on to the threads at one end, in overall lengths of not less than 9 metres and not more than 14·5 metres with an outside diameter apart from the coupling of not less than 220 millimetres and not more than 275 millimetres and a wall thickness apart from the coupling of not less than 7 millimetres and not more than 10·5 millimetres (up to and including 3 December 1975)	10	3	4.5

TARIFF HEADING (1)	DESCRIPTION (2)	RATES OF DUTY % FULL (3)	CYPRUS (4)	EGYPT (5)
85.15	The following apparatus for use in aircraft:			
	(*a*) automatic radio direction finding apparatus covering a frequency range of at least 200 KHz to 850 KHz; ...	10	3	4.5
	(*b*) distance measuring apparatus for determining the slant range from aircraft to ground transponder and operating within the frequency range of 960 MHz to 1,215 MHz; ...	10	3	4.5
	(*c*) panel-mounted secondary surveillance radar transponder apparatus, operating within a 12 or 24 volt electrical power system, having an integral control panel and capable of interrogation at a frequency of 1,030 MHz on each of the modes A and C and replying on these modes at a frequency of 1,090 MHz;	10	3	4.5
	(*d*) very high frequency omnidirectional radio range apparatus (VOR), instrument landing system localiser apparatus (ILS/LOC), instrument landing system glide path apparatus (ILS/G.PATH); ...	10	3	4.5
	(*e*) very high frequency communication apparatus (VHF/COM) (transmitters, receivers, or combined transmitter / receivers), covering a frequency band of at least 118 to 135·95 MHz, with not less than 180 channels and capable of operating in areas where 50 KHz channel spacing is in force:			
	—transmitters	7	2.1	3.1
	—transmitter-receivers ...	11	3.3	4.9
	—receivers, whether or not combined with a sound recorder or reproducer; ...	—	4.2	6.3
	(*f*) apparatus combining the functions and capabilities of any of the apparatus specified in (*d*) and (*e*) above but excluding apparatus combining any of those functions and capabilities with any other function or capability;	10	3	4.5

TARIFF HEADING (1)	DESCRIPTION (2)	RATES OF DUTY % FULL (3)	CYPRUS (4)	EGYPT (5)
	being apparatus of a type approved by the Civil Aviation Authority, at the date of this Order, under Article 14 (5) of the Air Navigation Order 1974, for use in aircraft of not more than 5,700 kilogrammes maximum total weight authorised, flying in controlled airspace in accordance with the Instrument Flight Rules as defined in the said Air Navigation Order, but not for use in other aircraft			

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides for exemption from or reduction in import duty in the case of goods specified in the Schedule as from 4th November 1975 to 31st December 1975 or to such earlier date as may be there specified.

There is exemption from import duties in the case of all goods in the Schedule if the goods satisfy the requisite conditions to benefit from the eventual abolition of customs duties in trade between member States of the European Communities.

In the case of other goods in the Schedule, where a rate of duty is specified in column 3, duty is reduced to that rate instead of any higher rate which would otherwise apply. In the case of goods originating in Cyprus or Egypt reductions to lower rates are available in a number of cases, the reduced rates being shown in columns 4 (Cyprus) and 5 (Egypt) of the Schedule.

In the case of goods originating in Greece, Israel, Morocco, Tunisia or Turkey there is exemption from duty except for goods (other than goods originating in Israel) whose description in the Schedule is followed by the letters "ECSC".

As regards the exemption for equipment for use in aircraft under heading 85.15, apparatus of a type approved by the Civil Aviation Authority is listed in Civil Aviation Publication CAP 208, Airborne Radio Apparatus Volume 2, published by Her Majesty's Stationery Office. This publication is subject to amendment, and confirmation that apparatus is of a type approved at the date of this Order should be obtained from the Civil Aviation Authority, Controllerate of National Air Traffic Services, Tels. N2s(c), 19/29 Woburn Place, London WC1H 0LX.

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