

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 29 January 1980

authorizing the Italian Republic not to apply Community treatment to woven fabrics of raw silk (not thrown), falling within heading No ex 50.09 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the People's Republic of China and in free circulation in the other Member States

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(80/225/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 115 thereof,

Having regard to the application under the first paragraph of Article 115 of the Treaty, made on 18 January 1980 by the Italian Government to the Commission of the European Communities, for authorization not to apply Community treatment to woven fabrics of raw silk (not thrown), falling within heading No ex 50.09 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the People's Republic of China and in free circulation in the other Member States,

Whereas in Italy the importation of the products in question originating in the People's Republic of China is, in accordance with the Council Decision of 20 December 1979, prohibited;

Whereas the disparities which exist in the commercial policy measures applied in connection with these products by the Member States are causing deflection of trade, thereby preventing the execution of those commercial policy measures which are in force because of the difficult economic situation in the sector concerned;

Whereas it appears from the application submitted that there are serious difficulties in the industrial sector concerned;

Whereas further indirect imports, in addition to those already made or proposed, would be likely to aggravate these difficulties;

Whereas it is not possible to set in motion rapidly the machinery for bringing about the necessary cooperation from the other Member States;

Whereas authorization should accordingly be given for the application of protective measures under the first paragraph of Article 115, subject to the conditions laid down in Commission Decision 71/202/EEC of 12 May 1971 <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 1 thereof;

Whereas, however, the application for a licence which gave rise to the application in question does not need to be covered by such an authorization in view of the small amount involved,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The Italian Republic is authorized not to apply Community treatment to the products indicated below, where they originate in the People's Republic of China and are in free circulation in the other Member States, and in respect of which applications for import licences were lodged after 14 January 1980:

CCT heading No	Description
ex 50.09 (NIMEXE code 50.09-01)	Woven fabrics of raw silk (not thrown)

*Article 2*

This Decision shall apply until new opportunities arise in Italy for the importation of these products from the People's Republic of China or until 31 December 1980, whichever is the earlier.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 29 January 1980.

*For the Commission*

Wilhelm HAFERKAMP

*Vice-President*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 121, 3. 6. 1971, p. 26.