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## COUNCIL

## **COUNCIL DECISION**

of 21 December 1976

authorizing prolongation or tacit renewal of certain Trade Agreements concluded between the Member States and third countries

(76/972/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the Council Decision of 16 December 1969 on the progressive standardization of Agreements concerning commercial relations between Member States and third countries and on the negotiation of Community Agreements (1), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas prolongation or tacit extension beyond the end of the transitional period has already been authorized in the case of the Agreements listed in the Annex hereto by the Council under its Decisions of 28 January 1969 (2), 12 May 1969 (3), 8 June 1969 (4), 26 June 1969 (5), 30 June 1969 (6), 15 September 1969 (7), 20 December 1969 (8), 8 June 1970 (9), 29 September 1970 (10), 1 March 1971 (11), 25 April

1972 (12), 28 April 1973 (13), 21 March 1974 (14), 17 February 1975 (15) and 24 February 1976 (16);

Whereas the Member States concerned have again, with a view to avoiding interruption in their trade relations with the third countries concerned, based on Agreements, requested authorization to prolong or tacitly renew the abovementioned Agreements;

Whereas authorization should be granted to maintain trade relations between the Member States and the third countries concerned, on the basis of Agreements, pending their replacement by a Community conventional or autonomous system; whereas such authorization should not, therefore, adversely affect the obligation of the Member States to avoid and, where appropriate, to eliminate any incompatibility between such Agreements and the provisions of Community law;

Whereas the provisions of the instruments to be either prolonged or tacitly renewed would not, furthermore, during the period under consideration, constitute an obstacle to the implementation of the common commercial policy;

Whereas the Member States concerned have stated that the prolongation or tacit renewal of these Agreements would not be likely to constitute an obstacle to either the opening of Community negotiations with the third countries concerned or the transfer of the commercial fabric thereof to Community Agreements,

OJ No L 326, 29. 12. 1969, p. 39.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 326, 29. 12. 1969, p. 39 (2) OJ No L 43, 20. 2. 1969, p. 15. (3) OJ No L 117, 16. 5. 1969, p. 9. (4) OJ No L 133, 28. 5. 1969, p. 14. (5) OJ No L 159, 1. 7. 1969, p. 20. (6) OJ No L 169, 10. 7. 1969, p. 2. (7) OJ No L 238, 23. 9. 1969, p. 9.

<sup>(8)</sup> OJ No L 6, 9. 1. 1970, p. 1. (9) OJ No L 133, 18. 6. 1970, p. 14. (10) OJ No L 225, 12. 10. 1970, p. 24.

<sup>(11)</sup> OJ No L 56, 1. 3. 1971, p. 8.

<sup>(12)</sup> OJ No L 112, 14. 5. 1972, p. 10.

<sup>(13)</sup> OJ No L 124, 10. 5. 1973, p. 22. (14) OJ No L 124, 10. 5. 1974, p. 23. (15) OJ No L 62, 7. 3. 1975, p. 32. (16) OJ No L 58, 5. 3. 1976, p. 14.

nor would it, during the period under consideration, hinder the adoption of the necessary measures to complete the standardization of the import systems of the Member States;

Whereas, at the conclusion of the consultations provided for in Article 2 of the Decision of 16 December 1969, it was established, as the aforesaid declarations by the Member States confirm, that the provisions of the statements by the Member States do not, therefore, during the period under consideration, constitute an obstacle to the implementation of the common commercial policy;

Whereas, in these circumstances, the Agreements may be either prolonged or tacitly renewed for a period not exceeding one year,

## HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The Trade Agreements between Member States and third countries listed in the Annex hereto may be prolonged or tacitly renewed up to the dates specified in each case.

### Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1976.

For the Council

The President

A. P. L. M. M. van der STEE

# $\mathit{BILAG} - \mathit{ANHANG} - \mathit{ANNEX} - \mathit{ANNEXE} - \mathit{ALLEGATO} - \mathit{BIJLAGE}$

Medlemsstat	Tredjeland	Aftalens art og datering  Art und Datum des Abkommens  Type and date of Agreement  Nature et date de l'accord  Natura e data dell'accordo				Udløb efter forlængelse eller stiltiende videreførelse  Ablauf nach Verlängerung oder stillschweigender Verlängerung  Prolonged or tacitly renewed until	
Mitgliedstaat	Drittland						
Member State	Third country						
État membre	Pays tiers					Échéance après prorogation ou tacite reconduction  Scadenza dopo la proroga o il tacito rinnovo	
Stato membro	Paese terzo						
Lid-Staat	Derde land	Aard en datum van het akkoord				Vervaldatum na al dan niet stilzwijgende verlenging	
BENELUX	Honduras	Handelsakkoord Accord commercial	30.	1.	1959	27. 5. 1978	
	Joegoslavië Jougoslavie	Handelsakkoord Accord commercial	18.	6.	1958	30. 6. 1978	
	Marokko Maroc	Handelsakkoord Accord commercial	5.	8.	1958	30. 6. 1978	
DANMARK	Indonesien	Handelsaftale	9.	9.	1952	30. 6. 1978	
	Madagaskar	Handelsaftale	10.	12.	1965	25. 6. 1978	
	Marokko	Handelsaftale	26.	7.	1961	30. 6. 1978	
	Senegal	Handelsaftale	11.	4.	1962	10. 7. 1978	
	Spanien	Handelsaftale	1.	7.	1960	30. 6. 1978	
	Tunesien	Handelsaftale	8.	6.	1960	31. 5. 1978	
DEUTSCHLAND	Afghanistan	Handelsabkommen	31.	1.	1958	31. 5. 1978	
	Island	Handelsabkommen	20.	5.	1954	30. 6. 1978	
	Jugoslawien	Handelsabkommen Protokoll	11. 16.		1952 1964	30. 6. 1978	
	Philippinen	Handelsabkommen	28.	2.	1964	12. 8. 1978	
	Schweden	Abkommen über Warenverkehr	26.	1.	1951	30. 6. 1978	
	Türkei	Abkommen über Warenverkehr	16.	2.	1952	30. 6. 1978	
FRANCE	Grèce	Accord commercial	9.	6.	1962	30. 6. 1978	
	RAE (république) arabe d'Égypte	Accord commercial	10.	7.	1964	10. 7. 1978	
ITALIA	Austria	Accordo commerciale Scambio di lettere			1949 1961	30. 6. 1978	
	Colombia	Modus vivendi	19.	6.	1952	19. 6. 1978	
	Grecia	Accordo commerciale	10.	11.	1954	30. 6. 1978	
	Somalia	Accordo commerciale e di cooperazione economica e tecnica		7.	1960	30. 6. 1978	
	Spagna	Accordo commerciale Processo verbale	28.	6.	1960 1967	8. 6. 1978	
	Turchia	Accordo commerciale	24.	1.	1952	31. 5. 1978	