

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 30 December 1982

establishing that the apparatus described as 'Dionex — Ion Chromatograph, model 10'  
may be imported free of Common Customs Tariff duties

(82/967/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN  
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1798/75 of 10 July 1975 on the importation free of Common Customs Tariff duties of educational, scientific and cultural materials <sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 608/82 <sup>(2)</sup>,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2784/79 of 12 December 1979 laying down provisions for the implementation of Regulation (EEC) No 1798/75 <sup>(3)</sup>, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas, by letter dated 19 May 1982, the Federal Republic of Germany has requested the Commission to invoke the procedure provided for in Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 2784/79 in order to determine whether or not the apparatus described as 'Dionex — Ion Chromatograph, model 10', ordered on 31 July 1981 and to be used for the study of the effect of acidic precipitation on the vegetation and soil and in particular for quantitative analysis of rain water for a number of components, should be considered to be a scientific apparatus and, where the reply is in the affirmative, whether apparatus of equivalent scientific value is currently being manufactured in the Community;

Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of Article 7 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 2784/79, a group of experts composed of representatives of all the Member States met, on 15 November 1982, within the framework of the Committee on Duty-Free Arrangements to examine the matter;

Whereas this examination showed that the apparatus in question is a chromatograph; whereas its

objective technical characteristics, such as the sensibility of the analysis and the use to which it is put, make it specially suited to scientific research; whereas, moreover, apparatus of the same kind are principally used for scientific activities; whereas it must therefore be considered to be a scientific apparatus;

Whereas, on the basis of information received from Member States, apparatus of equivalent scientific value capable of use for the same purpose is not currently manufactured in the Community; whereas, therefore, duty-free admission of this apparatus is justified,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The apparatus described as 'Dionex — Ion Chromatograph, model 10', which is the subject of an application by the Federal Republic of Germany of 19 May 1982, may be imported free of Common Customs Tariff duties.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 December 1982.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 184, 15. 7. 1975, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 74, 18. 3. 1982, p. 4.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 318, 13. 12. 1979, p. 32.