

1974 No. 1621

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

The Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions)

(No. 16) Order 1974

Made - - - - - 27th September 1974

*Coming into Operation—
for the purposes of
Article 6* 15th October 1974

for all other purposes 1st October 1974

*To be laid before the
House of Commons* 23rd October 1974

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. 16) Order 1974 and shall come into operation for the purposes of Article 6 on 15th October 1974 and for all other purposes on 1st October 1974.

(2) In this Order references to a heading or subheading are references to a heading or subheading of the Customs Tariff 1959.

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

Intra-Community Trade

2. Up to and including 31st December 1974, no import duty shall be charged on goods of a heading specified in column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto which 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).

(a) 1958 c. 6.

(b) See section 5(5) of, and 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.

The full rate

3.—(1) Up to and including 31st December 1974, in the case of goods which fall within a heading specified in column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto which are of a description specified in column 2 thereof, 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.

(2) If no entry appears in column 3 of Schedule 1 hereto in relation to goods of a description specified in column 2 thereof, no reduction in duty applies to such goods by virtue of this Article.

(3) Paragraph (1) above shall operate without prejudice to the exemptions provided for by Articles 2 above or 5 below or to any greater reductions provided for by Article 4 below in the case of goods originating in Cyprus or Egypt.

Cyprus and Egypt

4.—(1) Up to and including 31st December 1974, any import duty for the time being chargeable on goods of a heading specified in column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto which are of a description specified in column 2 thereof shall be charged:

- (a) at the rate shown in column 4 thereof in relation to the description if the goods originate in Cyprus and
- (b) at the rate 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) and
- (b) in Egypt if they are to be so regarded under the Agreement, signed on 18th December 1972, between the Community and Egypt(b).

(3) 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.

Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey

5.—(1) Up to and including 31st December 1974, no import duty shall be charged on goods of a heading specified in column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto which are of a description specified in column 2 thereof if the goods originate in Morocco, Tunisia or Turkey.

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

- (a) in Morocco if they are to be so regarded under the Protocol, signed on 2nd March 1973, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and Morocco(c),

(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 Protocol is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2285/73 (O.J. No. L239, 27.8.1973, p. 1).

- (b) in Tunisia if they are to be so regarded under the Protocol, signed on 28th February 1973, to the Agreement between the Community and Tunisia^(a) and
- (c) 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 Community and Turkey^(b) or
 - (ii) the Decision of the Association Council No. 4/72 of 29th September 1972 annexed to Regulation (EEC) 428/73^(c).

General Exemption

6. Up to and including 31st December 1974, no import duty shall be charged on goods which fall within a heading or subheading specified in column 1 of Schedule 2 and are of a description specified in column 2 thereof.

Miscellaneous

7.—(1) Any description of goods in column 2 of Schedules 1 or 2 hereto shall be taken to comprise all goods which would be classified under an entry in the same terms constituting a subheading (other than the final subheading) in the relevant heading in the Customs Tariff 1959.

(2) For the purposes of classification under the Customs Tariff 1959, insofar 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.

27th September 1974.

James A. Dunn,
T. Pendry,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

(a) The Protocol is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2286/73 (O.J. No. L239, 27.8.1973, p. 105).
(b) The Protocol is annexed to Regulation (EEC) 2760/72 (O.J. No. L293, 29.12.1972, p. 1).
(c) O.J. No. L59, 5.3.1973, p. 73).

(NOTE: Where no rate of duty is shown in column 3 there is no reduction in the full rate.)

GOODS SUBJECT TO TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN OR EXEMPTION FROM IMPORT DUTY
SCHEDULE 1

Tariff Heading (1)	Description (2)	Rates of Duty %		
		Full (3)	Cyprus (4)	Egypt (5)
39.02	Poly(vinyl chloride), in powder form and of natural colour, unplasticated but containing not less than 1 per cent. by weight and not more than 2.5 per cent. by weight of poly-(butyl acrylate) when determined by infra red absorption at a wavelength of 5.81 micrometres	—	3.7	5.5
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	—	£0.9920 per tonne or 1.4% whichever is the greater, + 0.9%	£1.4881 per tonne or 2.1% whichever is the greater, + 1.4% 3.6
73.15	Wire, of alloy steel, of circular cross-section, in coils and having a diameter of not less than 0.6 millimetre and not more than 5.0 millimetres; containing not more than 0.25 per cent. by weight of carbon, not less than 1.30 per cent. and not more than 1.70 per cent. by weight of manganese, and not more than 1.5 per cent. by weight of silicon as the major alloying elements	8	2.4	
73.18	Longitudinally welded mild steel tubes, of circular cross-section and with the ends plain or threaded and/or socketed; in lengths of not less than 4 metres and not more than 7 metres and having apart from any threading or socket, the dimensions, in millimetres, specified in any one of the lines (a) to (i) below	10	3	4.5
	<div>Outside Diameter</div> <div>not less than not more than</div> <div>(a) 21.1 21.7</div> <div>(b) 26.6 27.2</div> <div>(c) 33.4 34.2</div> <div>(d) 42.1 42.9</div> <div>(e) 48.0 48.8</div> <div>(f) 59.8 60.8</div> <div>(g) 75.4 76.6</div> <div>(h) 88.1 89.5</div> <div>(i) 113.3 114.9</div> <div>Wall Thickness</div> <div>not less than not more than</div> <div>2.39 3.41</div> <div>2.39 3.41</div> <div>2.93 4.25</div> <div>2.93 4.25</div> <div>2.93 4.25</div> <div>3.29 4.72</div> <div>3.29 4.72</div> <div>3.65 5.09</div> <div>4.05 5.67</div>			

GOODS SUBJECT TO TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FROM IMPORT DUTY
SCHEDULE 2

Tariff Heading (1)	Description (2)
ex 06.04 B I ex 30.01 B	Natural Christmas trees (firs) unfit for replanting The following substances derived from human blood: Antihaemophilic globulin Anti-Rho (D)—globulin Plasmaprotein solution
ex 39.01 CVII ex 59.03	Polyphenylene sulphide Oil-absorbing fleece materials made from aliphatic polyolefin fibres with a minimum buoyancy of 99 %

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides for exemption from or reductions in import duty in the case of goods specified in Schedule 1 to the Order as from 1st October 1974 until 31st December 1974 and exemption from import duty in the case of goods specified in Schedule 2 as from 15th October 1974 until 31st December 1974. There is exemption from import duties in the case of all goods in Schedule 1 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, where a rate of duty is specified in column 3 of Schedule 1, duty is reduced to that rate instead of any higher rate which would otherwise apply.

If the goods originate in Cyprus or Egypt greater reductions in duty are available than those referred to above, such reductions being shown in column 4 (Cyprus) and column 5 (Egypt) of Schedule 1.

In the case of goods in Schedule 1 originating in Morocco, Tunisia or Turkey and in the case of goods in Schedule 2 there is exemption from duty.

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