

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Recommendation for a

COUNCIL DECISION

on the notification of the Community's intention to apply provisionally
the International Coffee Agreement 1976 as extended until 30 September
1983

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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Under Council Decision 76/845/EEC of 20 September 1976¹, the Community is provisionally applying the International Coffee Agreement 1976, which entered into force provisionally on 1 October 1976 and definitively on 1 August 1977.

By Council Decision 79/827/EEC of 25 September 1979², the Community notified its intention to continue to participate in the Agreement for the remaining three years of its duration, i.e. until 30 September 1982.

Article 68 of the Agreement states that the Agreement may be extended, with or without modification, or be renegotiated.

By Resolution No 318 of 25 September 1981, the International Coffee Council decided that the International Coffee Agreement 1976 would be extended until 30 September 1983, provided the Council had taken a decision by 1 July 1982 on any proposal received from the Members as at 31 January 1982 concerning amendments to the Agreement to be applied as part of any extension of the Agreement beyond 1 October 1983.

These proposals are currently the subject of discussions and negotiations within the International Coffee Organization. Without prejudicing the decisions which the International Coffee Council will be required to take by 1 July 1982, the Executive Director pointed out in his memorandum of 12 March 1982 to the Members that since the Council was obliged to take the appropriate measures for the 1982/83 coffee year and to adopt quotas for that year, it was essential that the notifications of acceptance should be made as soon as possible.

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1 - OJ No L 309, 10, 11. 1976, p. 28

2 - OJ No L 248, 2. 10. 1979, p. 10

In order to maintain the effectiveness and credibility of this important international agreement, the Commission considers that the Community and all the Member States should as soon as possible, and in any event by 30 September 1982, complete the necessary formalities for participation in the extended Agreement.

The Commission therefore recommends that the Council should decide to notify the United Nations Secretary-General by 30 September 1982 - the absolute deadline - of the European Economic Community's intention to apply provisionally the International Coffee Agreement 1976, as extended until 30 September 1983.

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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 recommendation from the Commission,

Whereas, in accordance with Council Decisions 76/845/EEC¹ and 79/827/EEC²,
the Community has been applying provisionally the International Coffee
Agreement since its entry into force which took place provisionally on
1 October 1976 and definitively on 1 August 1977;

Whereas the Community should notify its intention of applying provisionally
the Agreement as extended until 30 September 1983,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS :

Article 1

The European Economic Community will deposit with the Secretary-General of the
United Nations by 30 September 1982 at the latest the notification annexed to
this Decision stating that it intends to apply provisionally the
International Coffee Agreement 1976 as extended until 30 September 1983.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the person
empowered to deposit this notification.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

¹ OJ N° L 309, 10.11.1976, p. 28 ² OJ L 248, 2.10.1979, p. 10

ANNEX

Notification of the intention to apply
provisionally the International Coffee
Agreement 1976 as extended until 30 September 1983

In accordance with International Coffee Council Resolution No 318 of
25 September 1981, the European Economic Community hereby deposits
this notification of the intention to apply provisionally the International
Coffee Agreement 1976 as extended until 30 September 1983.