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Proposal for a  
REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL

on the arrangements applicable to agricultural products and certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in African, Caribbean and Pacific States or in the "overseas countries and territories"

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. When signing the Lomé Convention, the Community and the African, Caribbean and Pacific Countries (ACP) agreed, by an exchange of letters, to apply in an autonomous manner from 1 July 1975, certain provisions of the Convention concerning the regime applied to agricultural products and goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in these states.

In addition, the Community agreed to establish, for certain agricultural products and goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in the overseas countries and territories (OCT) associated with the European Community, similar measures to those determined for the products originating in the ACP. Council Regulation (EEC) No 1599/75 of 24 June 1975 applying these measures expires 25 February 1976.

2. The Commission has proposed to the Council to extend the period of validity of this regulation as it is not yet certain that the Lomé Convention can enter into force 1 March 1976.
3. The proposed regulation attached concerns the definitive entry into force of the import regime applicable to agricultural and processed products originating in the ACP and OCT, from the date of entry into force of the Lomé Convention.
4. Financial implications : upon the basis of trade recorded in 1971 and 1972 generally (for maize 1968/69) and upon the basis of the application of the Common Customs Tariff the non application of customs duties and levies would be around 45 - 55 U.C./year.

Proposal for  
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No

on the arrangements applicable to agricultural products and certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in African, Caribbean and Pacific States or in the "overseas countries and territories"

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 and 113 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1059/69 (1) of 28 May 1969 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products, at last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1491/73 (2), and in particular Article 12 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament,

Whereas the ACP-EEC Lomé convention hereinafter called "the convention", between the African, Caribbean and Pacific States, hereinafter called the "ACP States", and the European Economic Community signed on 28 February 1975 lays down in Article 2 (2) (a) that: "Products originating in the ACP States:

- listed in Annex II to the Treaty when they come under a common organization of the market within the meaning of Article 40 of the Treaty; or
- subject, on importation into the Community, to specific rules introduced as a result of the implementation of the common agricultural policy;

shall be imported into the Community notwithstanding the general arrangements applied in respect of third countries, in accordance with the following provisions:

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(1) OJ No L 141, 12.6.1969, p. 1

(2) OJ No L 151, 7.6.1973, n. 1

- (i) these products shall be imported free of customs duties for which Community provisions in force at the time of importation do not provide, apart from customs duties, for the application of any other measure relating to their importation;
- (ii) for products other than those referred to under (i), the Community shall take the necessary measures to ensure, as a general rule, more favourable treatment than the general treatment applicable to the same products originating in third countries to which the most-favoured-nation clause applies";

Whereas

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 (1) of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1855/74 (2),
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 (3) of 20 October 1970 on the common organization of the market in fishery products, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1182/75 (4),
- Council Regulation No 136/66/EEC (5) of 22 September 1966 on the establishment of a common organization of the market in oils and fats, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1707/73 (6),
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 (7) of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in cereals, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No ..... (8),
- Council Regulation No 359/67/EEC (9) of 25 July 1967 on the common organization of the market in rice, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 668/75 (10),

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(1) OJ No L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 24.  
(2) OJ No L 195, 18.7.1974, p. 14.  
(3) OJ No L 236, 27.10.1970, p. 5.  
(4) OJ No L 118, 8.5.1975, p. 1.  
(5) OJ No L 172, 30.10.1966, p. 1.  
(6) OJ No L 175, 11.11.1973, p. 1.  
(7) OJ No L 281, 1.11.1975, p. 1.  
(8) OJ No .....  
(9) OJ No 774, 31.7.1967, p. 1.  
(10) OJ No L 118, 29.9.1972, p. 1.

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 (1) of 18 May 1972 on the common organization of the market in fruit and vegetables, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2745/72 (2),
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 865/68 (3) of 28 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No (4),
- Regulation (EEC) No 1059/69,
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 727/70 (5) of 21 April 1970 on the common organization of the market in raw tobacco, as last amended by the Act of Accession (6),
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1308/70 (7) of 29 June 1970 on the common organization of the market in flax and hemp, as last amended by the Act of Accession,
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1696/71 (8) of 26 July 1971 on the common organization of the market in hops, as last amended by the Act of Accession,
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 234/68 (9) of 27 February 1968 on the establishment of a common organization of the market in live trees and other plants, bulbs, roots and the like, cut flowers and ornamental foliage, as last amended by the Act of Accession,
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2358/71 (10) of 26 October 1971 on the common organization of the market in seeds, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 671/75 (11),
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 827/68 (12) of 28 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in certain products listed in Annex II to the Treaty, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1067/74 (13), and

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(1) OJ No L 118, 20.5.1972, p. 1.  
(2) OJ No L 291, 28.12.1972, p. 14.  
(3) OJ No L 153, 1.7.1968, p. 8.  
(4) OJ No L  
(5) OJ No L 94, 28.4.1970, p. 1.  
(6) OJ No L 73, 27.3.1972, p. 14.  
(7) OJ No L 17, 1.7.1970, p. 1.  
(8) OJ No L 117, 1.7.1971, p. 1.  
(9) OJ No L 17, 1.7.1968, p. 1.  
(10) OJ No L 246, 5.11.1971, p. 1.  
(11) OJ No L 72, 20.3.1975, p. 21.  
(12) OJ No L 151, 30.6.1968, p. 16.  
(13) OJ No L 120, 1.5.1974, p. 2.

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1067/74 of 30 April 1974 on the common organization of the market in dehydrated fodder, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1420/75 (1)

establish trade arrangements with third countries;

Whereas on the one hand, these arrangements provide only for the application of custom duties on the importation of a number of products; whereas, on the other hand, these trade arrangements involve the application of customs duties and import levies on beef and veal and on products processed from fruit and vegetables, the charging of levies in respect of cereals, rice and products processed from cereals and rice, the charging of an ad valorem duty and a variable component on certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products, the application of customs duties and other measures in respect of imports of fishery products, certain fruit and vegetables and oils and fats; whereas the obligations of the Community towards the ACP States arising from Article 2 (2) (a) of the convention may be fulfilled by granting total or partial exemption from import charges for the products in question where they originate in the ACP States;

Whereas it should be specified that the advantages resulting from Article 2 (2) (a) of the convention are accorded only to originating products within the meaning of Protocol 1 concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation, annexed to the convention;

Whereas, furthermore, these advantages should, according to the case, be combined with certain conditions and limited to certain annual and multianual quantities;

Whereas the safeguard clauses provided for in the Regulations on the common organization of markets are applicable; whereas in addition specific safeguard clauses must be provided for certain products;

Whereas there have traditionally been trade flows from the ACP States towards the French overseas departments, and whereas provision should therefore be made for measures favouring imports of certain products originating in the ACP States into these French overseas departments to meet their supply requirements;

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(1) OJ No L 141, 3.6.1975, p. 1.

Whereas in respect of agricultural products and certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products originating in the "overseas countries and territories" associated with the European Economic Community, hereinafter called "countries and territories", Council Decision of .... on the Association of these countries and territories to the European Economic Community(1) lays down provisions similar to those for products originating in the ACP States;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. This Regulation shall apply to products originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories".
2. The rules of origin applicable to such of these products as are imported from the ACP States or the "countries and territories" shall be respectively those set out in Protocol No 1 concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation, annexed to the Convention and those of Annex No .... to be Council Decision on the Association of overseas countries and territories to the European Economic Community.

TITLE I

Beef and veal

Article 2

The beef and veal products referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be imported free of customs duties.

Article 3

Where, in the course of a year, imports into the Community of beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II a) of the Common Customs Tariff and originating in an ACP State or "country or territory" exceed a quantity equivalent to that of imports into the Community during the years between 1969 and 1974 inclusive in which the greatest quantity of Community imports of the origin in question was recorded, plus an equal, northward

of 7 %, exemption from customs duties on the products of that origin shall be partially or totally suspended in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 27 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68.

In such a case, the Commission shall report to the Council, which, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, shall decide on the treatment to be applied to the imports concerned.

## TITLE II

### Fishery products

#### Article 4

The fishery products referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2142/70 shall be imported free of customs duties.

## TITLE III

### Oils and fats

#### Article 5

The oils and fats products referred to in Article 1 (2) (a) and (b) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC shall be imported free of customs duties.

#### Article 6

Should the volume of imports of any of the oil seeds falling within subheading ex 12.01 B of the Common Customs Tariff, referred to in Article 1 (2) (a) of Regulation No 136/66/EEC, undergo appreciable changes in relation to the present situation, the Council, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, shall adopt special measures.

## TITLE IV

### Cereals

#### Article 7

1. The levy applicable to imports of maize falling within subheading 10.05 B of the Common Customs Tariff shall be that fixed in accordance with Article 13 of Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, reduced by 1,50 units of account per metric ton.

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2. The levy applicable to imports of millet falling within subheading 10.07 B of the Common Customs Tariff and of grain sorghum following within subheading 10.07 C of the Common Customs Tariff shall be that fixed in accordance with Article 13 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75, reduced by 50 %.

TITLE V

Rice

Article 8

The levy applicable to imports of rice falling within heading No 10.06 of the Common Customs Tariff shall be equal, per 100 kg of product, to the levy applicable to imports of rice from third countries, reduced as follows:

- (a) for paddy rice falling within subheading 10.06 A I of the Common Customs Tariff:
- by 50 %, and
  - by 0,30 unit of account;
- (b) for husked rice falling within subheading 10.06 A II of the Common Customs Tariff:
- by 50 %, and
  - by 0,30 unit of account;
- (c) for semi-milled rice falling within subheading 10.06 B I of the Common Customs Tariff:
- by the amount for the protection of the industry referred to in Article 14 (3) of Regulation No 359/67/EEC, converted by reference to the conversion rate between milled rice and semi-milled rice referred to in the third indent of Article 19 (a) of that Regulation;
  - by 50 % of the levy thus reduced, and
  - by 0,45 unit of account;
- (d) for milled rice falling within subheading 10.06 B II of the Common Customs Tariff:
- by the amount for the protection of the industry referred to in Article 14 (3) of Regulation No 359/67/EEC;

- by 50 % of the levy thus reduced, and
  - by 0,45 unit of account;
- (e) for broken rice falling within subheading 10.06 C of the Common Customs Tariff;
- by 50 %, and
  - by 0,25 unit of account.

#### Article 9

1. The provisions of Article 8 shall apply only if the cif export price of a given quantity, increased by the levy applicable to imports of rice originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories" is at the time of exportation, for that quantity, equal to or more than:
  - for husked rice, milled rice and broken rice, the threshold price of each of these products, reduced by amounts of 0,30, 0,45 and 0,25 unit of account respectively;
  - for paddy rice, the threshold price of husked rice adjusted by reference to the conversion rate, processing costs and the value of the by-products to be taken for conversion from the husked state to the paddy state, reduced by an amount of 0,30 unit of account;
  - for semi-milled rice, the threshold price of milled rice adjusted by reference to the conversion rate, processing costs and the value of the by-products to be taken for conversion from the round grained milled state to the round grain semi-milled state, reduced by an amount of 0,45 unit of account.
2. In order to permit the necessary checks, the documents accompanying the goods must show the cif price at which the product is sold and the date of exportation, together with all details regarding quality enabling the product to be defined. This document must be stamped by the competent authorities in the exporting ACP State, "country or territory".

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Article 10

1. Article 13 (2) of Regulation No 359/67/EEC shall not apply to the levies to be charged on imports of rice originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories".
2. As regards such imports, however, the levy applicable on the day of exportation shall be applied, if the applicant so requests when applying for the licence referred to in Article 10 (1) of Regulation No 359/67/EEC to an importation to be effected during the period of validity of the licence.

Article 11

Where, in the course of a year, imports into the Community of rice originating in an ACP State or in a "country or territory" exceed a quantity equivalent to the average quantity of annual imports into the Community of the origin in question over the past three years for which statistics are available plus 5 %, the provisions of Article 8 shall be totally or partially suspended, in respect of the products of the origin in question in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 26 of Regulation No 359/67/EEC.

In such a case, the Commission shall report to the Council which, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, shall decide on the treatment to be applied to the imports concerned.

TITLE VI

Products processed from cereals and rice

Article 12

1. The levy applicable to imports of the products listed in Annex A to Regulation (EEC) No 2727/75 and of the products listed in Article 1 (1) (c) of Regulation No 359/67/EEC shall be equal to the levy applicable to imports of those products from third countries reduced by the fixed component specified for each of the products in question.

2. The variable component of the levy shall be reduced:

- by 0.15 unit of account per 100 kg for the products falling within subheading 07.06 A of the Common Customs Tariff;
- by 0.30 unit of account per 100 kg for the products falling within heading No 11.06 of the Common Customs Tariff;
- by 50% for the products falling within subheading 11.08 A V of the Common Customs Tariff.

3. The variable component of the levy shall not be charged in respect of the following products originating in the 'countries and territories':

CCT heading No	Description of goods
07.06	<p>Manioc, arrowroot, salep, Jerusalem artichokes, sweet potatoes and other similar roots and tubers with high starch or inulin content, fresh or dried, whole or sliced; sago pith:</p> <p>ex A. Manioc arrowroot, salep and other similar roots and tubers with high starch content, excluding sweet potatoes:</p> <p>— Arrowroot</p>
11.06	<p>Flours and meal of sago and of manioc, arrowroot, salep and other roots and tubers falling within heading No 07.06:</p> <p>ex A. Denatured:</p> <p>— Flours and meal of arrowroot</p> <p>B. Other:</p> <p>ex I. For the manufacture of starches:</p> <p>— Flours and meal of arrowroot</p> <p>ex II. Other:</p> <p>— Flours and meal of arrowroot</p>
11.08	<p>Starches; inulin:</p> <p>A. Starches:</p> <p>ex V. Other:</p> <p>— Arrowroot starch</p>

TITLE VII

Fruit and vegetables

Article 13

1. The products listed below shall be imported free of customs duties:

CCT heading No	Description of goods
07.01	Vegetables, fresh or chilled: F. Leguminous vegetables, shelled or unshelled G. Carrots, turnips, salad beetroot, salsify, celeriac, radishes and similar edible roots: ex IV. Other: — Radishes ( <i>Raphanus sativus</i> ), known as 'Mooli' S. Sweet peppers T. Other
08.02	Citrus fruit, fresh or dried: D. Grapefruit E. Other
08.08	Berries, fresh: E. Papaws ex F. Other: — Passion fruit
08.09	Other fruit, fresh

2. The products listed below shall be imported subject to customs duties equal to 20% of the Common Customs Tariff duties:

CCT heading No	Description of goods
08.02	Citrus fruit, fresh or dried: A. Oranges B. Mandarins including tangerines and satsumas; clementines, wilkings and other similar citrus hybrids

Article 14

1. Any decision taken under Article 29 (2) and (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 and relating to the products listed in Article 13 of this Regulation shall be communicated to the ACP States concerned.
2. Furthermore, if serious disruptions occur as a result of a large increase of imports of products listed in Article 13 (1) and (2) of this Regulation and originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories", or if these imports create difficulties which bring about a deterioration in the economic situation of a region of the Community, the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No                      concerning safeguard measures provided for in the ACP-EEC Lomé Convention of 28th February 1975 or the corresponding rules concerning the countries and territories shall apply.

TITLE VIII

Products processed from fruit and vegetables

Article 15

1. The products listed in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 865/68 shall be imported free of customs duties.
2. Levies shall not be charged on imports of the products listed below:

CCT heading No	Description of goods
20.06	Fruit otherwise prepared or preserved, whether or not containing added sugar or spirit: B. Other: I. Containing added spirit: b) Pineapples, in immediate packings of a net capacity: 1. Of more than 1 kg: aa) With a sugar content exceeding 17% by weight 2. Of 1 kg or less: aa) With a sugar content exceeding 10% by weight c) Other fruits: ex 1. With a sugar content exceeding 9% by weight: -- Grapefruit segments

CCT heading No	Description of goods
20.06 (cont'd)	<p>II. Not containing added spirit:</p> <p>a) Containing added sugar, in immediate packings of a net capacity of more than 1 kg:</p> <p>2. Grapefruit segments</p> <p>5. Pineapples:</p> <p>aa) With a sugar content exceeding 17% by weight</p> <p>9. Mixtures of fruit:</p> <p>ex aa) Mixtures in which no single fruit exceeds 50% of the total weight of the fruits:</p> <p>— Mixtures of pineapples, papaws and pomegranate</p> <p>ex bb) Other:</p> <p>— Mixtures of pineapples, papaws and pomegranate</p> <p>b) Containing added sugar, in immediate packings of a net capacity of 1 kg or less:</p> <p>2. Grapefruit segments</p> <p>5. Pineapples:</p> <p>aa) With a sugar content exceeding 19% by weight</p> <p>B. II. b) 9. Mixtures of fruit:</p> <p>ex aa) Mixtures in which no single fruit exceeds 50% of the total weight of the fruits:</p> <p>— Mixtures of pineapples, papaws and pomegranate</p> <p>ex bb) Other:</p> <p>— Mixtures of pineapples, papaws and pomegranate</p>
20.07	<p>Fruit juices (including grape must) and vegetable juices, whether or not containing added sugar, but unfermented and not containing spirit:</p> <p>B. Of a specific gravity of 1.33 or less at 15° C:</p> <p>II. Other:</p> <p>b) Of a value of 30 u.a. or less per 100 kg net weight:</p>

CCT heading No	Description of goods
20.07 (cont'd)	5. Pineapple juice: aa) With an added sugar content exceeding 30 % by weight  8. Mixtures: bb) Other:  ex 11. With an added sugar content exceeding 30 % by weight :  - Pineapple, papaw and pomegranate juice

TITLE IX

Unmanufactured tobacco

Article 16

The tobacco products listed in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 727/70 shall be imported free of customs duties.

Article 17

1. Any decision taken pursuant to Article 10 (2) and (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 727/70 shall be communicated to the ACP States concerned.
2. Furthermore, if serious disruptions occur as a result of a large increase in duty-free imports of the products falling within heading No 24.01 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories", or if these imports create difficulties which bring about a deterioration in the economic situation of a region of the Community, the Community may take the necessary safeguard measures, including those intended to offset any deflection of trade. For the purpose of implementing the safeguard measures vis-à-vis the ACP States or the "countries and territories", the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No                    concerning safeguard measures provided for in the ACP-EEC Lomé Convention                    or the corresponding rules concerning the "countries and territories" shall apply.

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TITLE X

Goods to which Regulation (EEC)  
No 1059/69 applies

Article 18

1. No fixed component shall be charged on imports of goods to which Regulation (EEC) No 1059/69 applies.
2. The variable component shall not be charged on imports of the goods listed below:

CCT heading No	Description of goods
17.04	Sugar confectionery, not containing cocoa:  C. White chocolate
18.06	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa:  C. Chocolate and chocolate goods, whether or not filled; sugar confectionery and substitutes therefor made from sugar substitution products, containing cocoa
19.02	Preparations of flour, meal, starch or malt extract, of a kind used as infant food or for dietetic or culinary purposes, containing less than 50% by weight of cocoa:  B. Other:  I. Containing no milk fats or containing less than 1.5% by weight of such fats:  d) Containing 45% or more but less than 65% by weight of starch
19.04	Tapioca and sago; tapioca and sago substitutes obtained from potato or other starches
19.07	Bread, ships' biscuits and other ordinary bakers' wares, not containing added sugar, honey, eggs, fats, cheese or fruit:  D. Other, containing by weight of starch:  ex II. 50% or more, excluding ships' biscuits
19.08	Pastry, biscuits, cakes and other fine bakers' wares, whether or not containing cocoa in any proportion:  B. Other:  IV. Containing 50% or more but less than 65% by weight of starch:  a) Containing no sucrose or containing less than 5% by weight of sucrose (including invert sugar expressed as sucrose):

CGT heading No	Description of goods
19.08 (cont'd)	B. IV a) ex I. Containing no milk fats or containing less 1,5 % by weight of such fats: - Biscuits  V. Containing 65% or more by weight of starch: ex a) Containing no sucrose or containing less than 5 % by weight of sucrose (including invert sugar ex- pressed as sucrose): - Biscuits  ex b) Other: - Biscuits

TITLE XI

Other markets subject to common organization

Article 19

The products referred to in Regulations (EEC) No 234/68, (EEC) No 827/68, (EEC) No 1308/70, (EEC) No 1696/71, (EEC) No 2358/71 and (EEC) No 1067/74 shall be imported free of customs duties.

TITLE XII

Provisions relating to the French overseas departments

Article 20

The levies shall not be applied to imports into the French overseas departments of the products listed below originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories":

CGT heading No	Description of goods
01.02	Live animals of the bovine species: A. Domestic species: II. Other

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CGT heading No	Description of goods
02.01	Meat and edible offals of the animals falling within heading No 01.01, 01.02, 01.03 or 01.04, fresh, chilled or frozen : A. Meat: II. Of bovine animals: a) Of domestic bovine animals
10.06	Rice

Article 21

1. The levy applicable to imports into the French overseas departments of maize falling within subheading 10.05 B of the Common Customs Tariff originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories" shall be that fixed in accordance with Article 13 of Regulation No 2727/75 reduced by six units of account per metric ton.
2. If imports into the French overseas departments of maize originating in the ACP States or in the "countries and territories" have exceeded 4.500 metric tons in a year, and if such imports are causing or are likely to cause serious disturbances in the market, the Commission shall take the necessary measures, at the request of a Member State or on its own initiative.
3. Any Member State may, within three working days of notification of the measure taken by the Commission, refer that measure to the Council. The Council shall meet forthwith. It may amend or declare void the measure in question, acting by a qualified majority.

TITLE XIII

General and final provisions

Article 22

The reductions provided for by this Regulation shall be calculated by reference to:

- the variable components of levies where the levies contain such components
- the levies in other cases,

applicable to imports from third countries into the Community as originally constituted.

However, during the period of application of accession compensatory amounts in trade between the Community as originally constituted and the new Member States, measures to prevent deflections of trade shall be taken in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 23, if this proves necessary.

Article 23

If necessary, detailed rules for the application of this Regulation shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 26 of Regulation No 2727/75 or, as the case may be, in the corresponding Articles of the other Regulations on the common organization of the agricultural markets.

Article 24

"The provisions of this Regulation shall not prejudice the application of Article 38 of the Act concerning the conditions of accession and the adjustments to the Treaties."

Article 25

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 March 1976.

It shall apply until 29 February 1980.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at

For the Council,

The President

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Annex to Doc. ....

Date 19.1.1976

1. Line of the Budget concerned : Chapter 10 (Customs duties and levies)

2. Title of the action : Proposed Council Regulation regarding the import regime applicable to agricultural products originating in the ACP or OCT

3. Legal basis : Art. 43 and 113 of the Treaty

4. Objectives of the action : Definitive application of the import regime for agricultural products originating in the ACP or OCT from the date of entry into force of the Lomé Convention

5.0 Cost of the action	during the campaign	current exercise ( )	following exercise( )
charge to the EC Budget	45 - 55 MUC		45 - 55 MUC
charge to the national administrations			
charge to other national sectors			

5.1 Estimated costs      Year 1978.      Year 1979      Year .....

45-55 MUC      45-55 MUC

5.2 Method of calculation Upon the basis of trade in 1971 and 1972 generally (but for maize 1968/69) and the application of the Common Customs Tariff the non application of customs duties and levies would be around 45 - 55 U.C./year.

6.1 Possible financing by credits written into the relative chapter of the current Budget

Yes                      No

6.2 Possible financing by transfers between chapters of the current Budget

Yes                      No

6.3 Necessity for a supplementary Budget      Yes                      No

6.4

Comments :

