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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No 812/80 with respect to imports into the Benelux countries of jute yarn originating in India

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. By Regulation No 812/80 of 27 March 1980¹ the Council laid down common imports arrangements for certain jute products originating in India. This Regulation constituted the implementation within the Community of the Agreement concluded between the European Economic Community and India on trade and commercial cooperation in jute products.

2. The Regulation introduced quantitative restrictions on imports into the Benelux countries of jute yarn from India. These restrictions had been agreed pursuant to Article 4 of the Agreement, which was invoked when the negotiations had been completed and which makes provision for consultation should Indian exports of jute yarn seriously prejudice conditions in the Community market or in the market of any of the Community's regions. These restrictions were laid down for the period 1980-83 in an Agreed Minute attached to the Agreement. This Agreed Minute also made provision for a review of the situation with regard to these products at the end of the second year of application of the Agreement.

3. The situation was reviewed by India and the Community in 1982. The outcome was the signing on 15 December 1982 of a new "Agreed Minute", which provided inter alia for the ceilings for 1982 and 1983 to be converted to indicative levels, with the amounts increased.

In order to adapt the Community internal Regulation referred to under point 1 to this new situation, Annex A to this Regulation, which lists the amounts of the quantitative limits, should be amended.

Consequently, it is proposed that the Council adopt the attached Regulation.

¹ OJ No L 88, 1 April 1980, p. 24

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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 proposal from the Commission,

Whereas an Agreement is in force between the European Economic Community
and the Republic of India on trade and commercial cooperation in jute products¹;

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 812/80² the Council set up common import
arrangements for certain jute products originating in India, in order to
establish the procedures for implementing the Agreement within the Community;

Whereas this Regulation makes provision for quantitative limits on imports
into the Benelux countries of jute yarn originating in India, and whereas
these limits are listed in Annex A;

Whereas under the Agreement between the Community and India it had been agreed
that the situation with regard to jute yarn would be reviewed at the end of
the second year of application of the Agreement; whereas, upon completion
of this review the two sides agreed to increase the quantitative limits on
yarn for 1982 and 1983;

Whereas, consequently, Annex A to Regulation (EEC) No 812/80 must be amended,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

¹ OJ No L 43 of 15.2.1982, p. 1

² OJ No L 88 of 1.4.1980, p. 24

Article 1

The quantitative limits laid down for the Benelux countries in Annex A to Regulation (EEC) No 812/80 for yarn of jute or of other textile bast fibres of Heading No 57.03, falling within Heading No 57.06 of the Common Customs Tariff, are hereby amended as follows:

1982	10 672 tonnes
1983	11 737 tonnes.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

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

Done at Brussels

For the Council