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REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on External
Economic Relations

on the proposal from the Commission of the European
Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-542/82 -
COM(82) 416 final) concerning the implementation of
Article 18 of Directive 69/73/EEC on the harmonization
of provisions laid down by law, regulation or
administrative action in respect of inward processing

Rapporteur: Miss HOOPER

By letter of 22 July 1982 the President of the Council of Ministers of the European Communities requested the European Parliament to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive concerning the implementation of Article 18 of Directive 69/73/EEC on the harmonization of provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in respect of inward processing.

The President of the European Parliament referred the proposal on 13 September 1982 to the Committee on External Economic Relations as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs for an opinion.

On 17 September 1982 the President of the European Parliament proposed to Parliament under Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure that the proposal be referred to the Committee on External Economic Relations with the power of decision.

Parliament approved this procedure on 11 October 1982.

At its meeting of 19 October 1982, the Committee on External Economic Relations appointed Miss Hooper rapporteur.

The committee examined the Commission's proposal and the draft report at its meeting of 4 November 1982, in view of the meeting which will be held in accordance with Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure and at which the committee will meet with power of decision on the proposal.

The opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs will be delivered orally.

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

closing the procedure for consultation of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive concerning the implementation of Article 18 of Directive 69/73/EEC on the harmonization of provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in respect of inward processing

The Committee on External Economic Relations, acting in accordance with Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (COM(82) 416 final)¹, referred to it by the European Parliament under the provisions of Rule 33(1) of the Rules of Procedure,
 - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 1-542/82),
 - having regard to the report by the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 1-1005/82),
 - having regard to the result of the vote on the Commission's proposal,
1. Approves the proposal for a directive (Doc. 1-542/82);
 2. Instructs its chairman, pursuant to Rule 33(5) of the Rules of Procedure, to inform Parliament of the opinion and to forward it to the Council and Commission as Parliament's opinion.

¹ OJ No. C 200, 4.8.1982, p. 4

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

1. The purpose of the proposed directive is to apply Article 18 of Council Directive 69/73/EEC which provides that, following a proposal from the Commission, the Council shall prepare a list of compensating and intermediate products which, when marketed, shall by way of derogation from the provisions of Articles 16 and 17 of Directive 69/73/EEC, be subject to application of customs duties, charges having equivalent effect or agricultural levies appropriate to them and not to those appropriate to the imported goods.

2. The annex to the proposed directives sets out the scrap, waste and residues and other compensating or intermediate products which will be taxed at the time when they are released into free circulation in the customs territory of the Community. Article 1(2) of the proposed directive provides that products not listed in the annex may be taxed on the same basis provided the competent authorities inform the Commission.

3. The Committee on External Economic Relations considers that although this proposal is predominantly technical, it is a suitable measure for harmonizing this form of taxation which at present is only covered by Directive 73/82/EEC of 26 March 1973. Since the new list annexed to the proposed new directive covers the products which are the subject of the 1973 Directive, that directive can therefore be repealed, as provided by Article 2 of the present proposal.

4. The committee therefore approves the proposed directive.