

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION

Request for Council assent and consultation of the ECSC Committee,
pursuant to Article 95 of the ECSC Treaty, concerning a draft
Commission Decision on the conclusion of a Protocol on
trade and commercial and economic cooperation between
the European Coal and Steel Community, on the one hand,
and the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, on the other

Communication from the Commission to the Council

Subject : Request for the Council assent, pursuant to Article 95 of the ECSC Treaty, concerning a draft Commission Decision on the conclusion of a Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between the European Coal and Steel Community, on the one hand, and the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, on the other

On the basis of the negotiating directives approved by the Member States meeting within the Council on 25 February 1991, the Commission has reached an agreement with Czechoslovakia on the content and on the text of the Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation in respect of products covered by the ECSC Treaty.

The Protocol is a joint act in accordance with the provisions of the ECSC Treaty, and in particular Article 71 thereof. So the Protocol would need to be approved by each individual Member State of the ECSC following its own constitutional procedures and would not enter into force until all Member States had completed those procedures.

The Community's experience has been that it has often taken several years for the approval procedure to be concluded.

As the agreement falls within the context of the Community's relations with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and of the PHARE programme, such a time lag before implementation can only be detrimental for Czechoslovakia and for the Community as the latter has raised the expectations of this country by responding favourably to its request to bring ECSC products within the scope of cooperation between it and the Community.

Draft

COMMISSION DECISION

on the conclusion of a Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between the European Coal and Steel Community, on the one hand, and the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, on the other

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community, and in particular Article 95 thereof,

Whereas following the Council Decision of 25 February 1991 the Commission conducted negotiations with the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic which have resulted in a Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation in respect of products covered by the ECSC Treaty;

Whereas the conclusion of this Protocol is indispensable for the attainment of the objectives of the Community as defined, inter alia, in Articles 2 and 3 of the Treaty;

Whereas this Decision does not affect the powers of the Member States in matters of commercial policy referred to in Article 71 of the Treaty;

After consulting the ECSC Consultative Committee and having obtained the unanimous assent of the Council,

Draft Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between
the European Coal and Steel Community, on the one hand,
and the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, on the other

The European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC)
on the one hand, and

The Czech and Slovak Federal Republic,
on the other,

Considering the Agreement between the European Economic Community (EEC) and
the European Atomic Energy Community (EAEC) and the Czech and Slovak
Federal Republic on trade and commercial and economic cooperation concluded
on 24 September 1990⁽¹⁾ and covering those areas for which the said
Community has responsibility,

Pursuing the same objectives and desirous of finding similar solutions for
the areas which are the responsibility of the ECSC,

Wishing to supplement the abovementioned Agreement so that the same rules
and principles shall apply to products covered by the ECSC Treaty,

Noting the developments which have taken place since the conclusion of the
said Agreement, and in particular the abolition by the Community of the
specific quantitative restrictions on products covered by the EEC Treaty
originating in the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 5

The Annex to this Protocol shall form an integral part thereof.

Article 6

This Protocol shall be drawn up in duplicate in the Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish languages, each text being equally authentic.

REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Pig iron category

7201 10 19

ex 20 00 containing by weight more than 1% of silicon

Iron and steel products category

ex 7208 11 00 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 12 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 95 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 98 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 13 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 95 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 98 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 14 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5mm or more
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5mm or more
ex 99 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5mm or more
ex 21 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 90 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 22 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 95 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 98 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 23 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 95 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 98 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 24 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5mm or more
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5mm or more
ex 99 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5mm or more
ex 32 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 30 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 51 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 59 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 99 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 33 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 99 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 34 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 90 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 42 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 30 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 51 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 59 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 99 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon

BENELUX

Coil category

7208 11 00
12 10
91
95
98
13 10
91
95
98
ex 14 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 91 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 99 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
21 10
90
22 10
91
95
98
23 10
91
95
98
ex 24 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 91 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 99 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 7211 12 10 in coils
ex 19 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils
ex 22 10 in coils
ex 29 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils
7219 11 10
90
12 10
90
13 10
90
ex 14 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 90 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 7220 11 00 in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 12 00 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7225 10 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils
ex 20 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils
ex 30 00 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 7226 10 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 20 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 91 10 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 90 of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm

BENELUX

(Other Iron and steel products - continued)

7209	24	10	
		91	
		99	
	32	10	
		90	
	33	10	
		90	
	34	10	
		90	
	42	10	
		90	
	43	10	
		90	
	44	10	
		90	
ex	90	10	simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210	11	10:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	12	11:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	19:		not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	20	10	simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	31	10:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	39	10:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	41	10:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	49	10:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	50	10	simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	60	11	simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	19		simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	70	21:	not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
			simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	29		simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	90	31	simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	33		simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	35		simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex	39		simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7211	12	10	not in coils and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon, of a thickness of less than 6mm
ex	90		not in coils and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon, of a thickness of less than 6mm
ex	19	10:	not in coils, containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
			containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
		91	
		99	
ex	22	10	not in coils and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon, of a thickness of less than 6mm
ex	30		not in coils and containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon, of a thickness of less than 6mm
ex	39	10:	not in coils, containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
			containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon and of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
		91	
		99	

(Other Iron and steel products - continued)

ex 7210 90 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 7219 14 10 of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
ex 90 of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
ex 21 11 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 19 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 90 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 22 10 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 90 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
23 10
90
24 10
90
33 10
90
34 10
90
35 10
90
ex 90 11 simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 19 simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7220 11 00 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, other than in coils, and of a width
exceeding 500 mm
ex 12 00 other than in coils, of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 20 10 of a thickness of less than 3 mm
7221 00 10
90
7222 10 11
19
51
59
99
40 11
19
ex 7225 10 10: not in coils and of a thickness of 1.5 mm or more
of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
91
99
ex 20 10 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, other than in coils and of a
thickness of 1.5 mm or more
ex 30 simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 30 00 of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
ex 40 10 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 30 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 50 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 50 10 of a thickness of less than 3 mm
ex 90 of a thickness of less than 3 mm
ex 90 10 simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)

Pig Iron category

7201 10 19
7201 10 30
ex 7201 20 00 containing by weight more than 1% of silicon
7201 30 10
7201 30 90
ex 7202 99 11 containing by weight more than 1% of silicon
ex 7203 90 00 other than in blocks, lumps and similar forms

ITALY

Other Iron and steel products

ex	7208	14	10	of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex			91	of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex			99	of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex		24	10	of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex			91	of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex			99	of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
		32	10	
			30	
			51	
			59	
			91	
			99	
		33	10	
			91	
			99	
		34	10	
			90	
		35	10	
			90	
		42	10	
			30	
			51	
			59	
			91	
			99	
		43	10	
			91	
			99	
		44	10	
			90	
		45	10	
			90	
ex		90	10	simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
	7209	11	00	
		12	10	
			90	
		13	10	
			90	
		14	10	
			90	
		21	00	
		22	10	
			90	
		23	10	
			90	
		24	10	
			91	
			99	
		31	00	
		32	10	
			90	

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(Other iron and steel products - continued)

ex 7211 91 of a thickness of less than 6 mm
49 10:
ex 7212 10 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 91 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 21 11 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 29 11 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 30 11 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 40 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
ex 60 91 of a thickness of 6mm or less and containing by weight less than 0.6 % of carbon
7213 10 00
20 00
31 00
39 00
41 00
49 00
50 10
90
7214 20 00
30 00
40 10
91
99
50 10
91
99
60 00
ex 7215 90 10 of free-cutting steel
7216 10 00
21 00
22 00
31 11
19
91
99
32 11
19
91
99
33 10
90
40 10
90
50 10
90
ex 90 10 containing by weight less than 0.6% of carbon
of free-cutting steel
ex 7219 14 10 other than in coils and of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
ex 90 other than in coils and of a thickness of less than 1.5 mm
ex 21 11 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 19 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 90 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 22 10 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 90 other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass

(Other iron and steel products - continued)

7227 10 00
20 00
90 10
30
80
7228 10 10
30
20 11
19
30
30 10
30
80
60 10
70 10
31
80 10
ex 90 containing by weight 0.6% or more of carbon
7301 10 00