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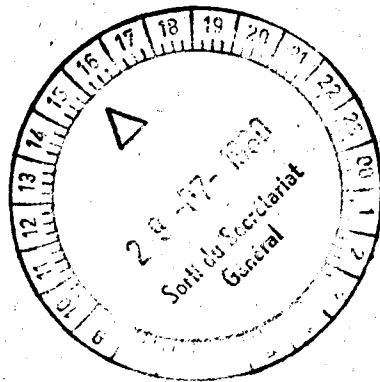
Brussels, 24 July 1980

Proposal for a  
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No 950/68 on the Common  
Customs Tariff

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## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. By Regulations (EEC) No 387/80 and 388/80 of 15 February 1980 (1) the Community applied safeguard measures against certain textile products imported into the United Kingdom.
2. Considering themselves injured by these measures the United States of America asked to enter into consultation with the Community under article XIX of GATT and claimed compensation for the damage caused to their exports. The Community rejected this claim but was willing, in order to avoid the dangers for international trade relations which would follow a confrontation on this issue, to envisage some kind of gesture in the tariff field.
3. The consultations have now led to a solution satisfactory to both sides.
4. The tariff changes proposed consist of an accelerated introduction of duties arising from the Tokyo Round, duties which would only be implemented on 1 January 1981. Among the 6 cases involved, two (No. 38.07 C and No. 39.03 B V a) 1 ) are at present the subject of autonomous suspensions of duties at the level of 3 % and 4 % respectively.
5. The Article 113 Committee has given a favourable opinion in its sitting on 16.7.1980 as regards the principle of the measures proposed by this regulation.

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(1) O.J. L 45, 20 February 1980, page 5.

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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, following safeguard measures taken by the Community in the synthetic fibre sector, consultations under GATT have taken place with the United States of America;

Whereas these consultations have led to a mutually satisfactory solution consisting, for the Community, of the accelerated introduction, for certain products, of concessions resulting from the 1979 Geneva Protocol annexed to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

**Article 1**

The conventional rates of duty of the Common Customs Tariff relating to products listed in the Annex hereto shall be as shown in the said Annex.

**Article 2**

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 September 1980

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council  
The President

