

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 4 October 1973

authorizing the French Republic not to apply Community treatment to prepared or preserved tunny (in hermetically closed containers) falling within heading No 16.04 ex E of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in USSR and in free circulation in Belgium

(Only the French text is authentic)

(73/375/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 115 thereof;

Having regard to the application under the first paragraph of Article 115 of the Treaty made on 27 September 1973 by the French Government to the Commission by telex from the office of its Permanent Representative to the European Communities, for authorization not to apply Community treatment to prepared or preserved tunny (in hermetically closed containers) falling within heading No 16.04 ex E of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in USSR and in free circulation in Belgium;

Whereas differences in the measures of commercial policy taken in connection with these products by France and by Belgium as regards USSR are giving rise to deflection of trade;

Whereas this deflection of trade would prevent the execution of measures of commercial policy taken by France as regards USSR;

Whereas on account of the imminence of this deflection of trade it is not possible to set into motion the machinery for bringing about the necessary cooperation from Belgium;

Whereas authorization should be given, for a limited period, for the application of protective measures, under the first paragraph of Article 115, subject to the

conditions laid down by the Commission Decision of 12 May 1971 <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The French Republic is authorized not to apply Community treatment to imports of the following products, where they originate in USSR and are in free circulation in Belgium, and in respect of which applications for import licences were lodged after 17 September 1973 and are pending with the French authorities.

CCT heading No	Description
16.04 ex E	Prepared or preserved tunny (in hermetically closed containers)

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

Done at Brussels, 4 October 1973.

*For the Commission*

*The President*

François-Xavier ORTOLI

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 121, 3. 6. 1971, p. 26.