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COUNCIL

**DECISION No 2/2003 OF THE EU-POLAND ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
of 19 March 2003**

extending the double-checking system established by Decision No 2/1999 of the Association Council for the period from the date of entry into force of this Decision up to the date of accession by Poland to the European Union

(2003/389/EC)

THE ASSOCIATION COUNCIL,

Whereas:

- (1) The Contact Group referred to in Article 10 of Protocol 2 to the Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Poland, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, which entered into force on 1 February 1994, met on 22 October 2002 and agreed to recommend to the Association Council established under Article 102 of the Agreement that the double-checking system introduced in 1999 by Decision No 2/1999 of the Association Council should be extended for the period from the date of entry into force of this Decision up to the date of accession by Poland to the European Union.
- (2) The Association Council, having been supplied with all relevant information, has agreed with this recommendation,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The double-checking system established by Decision No 2/1999 of the Association Council shall continue to apply for the period from the date of entry into force of this Decision up to

the date of accession by Poland to the European Union. In the preamble and Article 1(1) and (3) of the Decision, references to the period '1 January to 31 December 2002' shall be replaced by references to '13 June 2003 up to the date of accession by Poland to the European Union'.

Article 2

Goods shipped to the Community as from 1 January 2003 until the date of entry into force of this Decision shall be excluded from the scope of this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the 10th day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Done at Brussels, 19 March 2003.

For the Association Council
The President
W. CIMOSZEWICZ

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 348, 31.12.1993, p. 2.