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COUNCIL DECISION

of 3 October 1967

on the conclusion of an Agreement extending and amending the Trade Agreement between the European Economic Community and Iran

(67/773/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 111, 114 and 228 thereof;

Having regard to the report from the Commission;

Whereas it is expedient to extend for a further period of one year, in accordance with Article V thereof, the Trade Agreement between the European Economic Community and Iran signed at Brussels on 14 October 1963 and extended until 30 November 1967 in accordance with the Council Decision of 27 October 1966 ¹

Whereas it is also expedient to make the amendments to the Agreement proposed by the Joint Committee established under Article IV thereof,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

An Agreement, in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Economic Community and Iran, extending and amending the Trade Agreement between the European Economic Community and Iran is concluded on behalf of the Community. The Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement and to confer on them the powers required in order to bind the Community.

Done at Luxembourg, 3 October 1967.

For the Council
The President
K. SCHILLER

¹ OJ No 220, 30.11.1966, p. 3742/66.

ANNEX

Exchange of Letters extending and amending the Agreement between the EEC and Iran

A. Letter to the Iranian Authorities

Your Excellency,

With reference to Article V of the Trade Agreement between the European Economic Community and Iran signed at Brussels on 14 October 1963, we have the honour to inform you, on behalf of the Council of the European Communities, that the Council agrees to an extension of that Agreement for a period of one year beginning 1 December 1967.

We also have the honour to inform you on behalf of the Council of the European Communities that the Council agrees to the following amendments to the Agreement:

I. From 1 July 1968, Article I of the Agreement shall be worded as follows:

'For the period of this Agreement the Common Customs Tariff duties of the European Economic Community on the products listed in the following table shall be suspended at the levels indicated therein.

CCT heading No		Description	Rate
58.01	A	Carpets, carpeting and rugs of wool or of fine animal hair, knotted	24 % with a maximum of 4 u.a./m²
08.04	В	Dried grapes	6 %
08.12	Α	Dried apricots	6 %
ex 16.04	Α	Caviar (sturgeon roe)	24 %

The Contracting Parties take note that the Member States of the European Economic Community will be responsible for applying these customs duties.'

II. From 1 December 1967, the second subparagraph of Article II of the Agreement shall be worded as follows:

'The Common Customs Tariff duty of the European Economic Community on dried grapes admitted under the quota shall be suspended at 1.2 %. The Contracting Parties take note that the Member States of the European Economic Community will be responsible for applying this duty.'

Please accept . . .

B. Letter to the President of the Council of the European Communities

Your Excellency,

You were good enough to make the following communication to me in your letter of today's date:

'With reference to Article V of the Trade Agreement between the European Economic Community and Iran signed at Brussels on 14 October 1963, we have the honour to inform you, on behalf of the Council of the European Communities, that the Council agrees to an extension of that Agreement for a period of one year beginning 1 December 1967.

We also have the honour to inform you on behalf of the Council of the European Communities that the Council agrees to the following amendments to the Agreement:

I. From 1 July 1968, Article I of the Agreement shall be worded as follows:

"For the period of this Agreement the Common Customs Tariff duties of the European Economic Community on the products listed in the following table shall be suspended at the levels indicate therein

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The Contracting Parties take note that the Member States of the European Economic Community will be responsible for applying these customs duties."

II. From 1 December 1967, the second subparagraph of Article II of the Agreement shall be worded as follows:

'The Common Customs Tariff duty of the European Economic Community on dried grapes admitted under the quota shall be suspended at 1.2 %. The Contracting Parties take note that the Member States of the European Economic Community will be responsible for applying this customs duty.'

Please accept . . .

I have the honour to inform you, on behalf of the Imperial Government of Iran, that the latter also agrees to the extension of the aforesaid Agreement for a period of one year from 1 December 1967, and also to the amendment to the Agreement as indicated above.

Please accept . . .