COMMISSION DECISION

of 26 April 1976

authorizing the Italian Republic not to apply Community treatment to footwear with uppers of leather for sports and gymnastics, other than ski-boots, falling within subheading 64.02 ex A of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Hungary and in free circulation in the other Member States

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(76/530/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 14 April 1976 by the Italian Government to the Commission by telex from the office of its Permanent Representative to the European Communities, for authorization to apply protective measures in respect of the importation of footwear with uppers of leather for sports and gymnastics, other than ski-boots, falling within subheading 64.02 ex A of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Hungary and in free circulation in France,

Whereas for imports of shoes falling within headings No 64.01 and No 64.02 of the Common Customs Tariff, Italy, in accordance with the Council Decision of 18 December 1975 (1), has opened in respect of Hungary an annual quota of Lit 144 000 000, which has been wholly used up, while in France imports of the said products are not subject to quotas;

Whereas the indirect imports in respect of which the application has been made would be likely to affect national production of the products in question because of the considerable amount involved (about 20 % of the Italian quota);

Whereas it is not possible at the present time to set in motion the machinery for bringing about the necessary cooperation from France and the other Member States;

Whereas authorization should accordingly be given 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 (2), and in particular Article 1 thereof,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Italian Republic is authorized not to apply Community treatment to the following products:

CCT heading No	Description of goods
64.02	Footwear with outer soles of leather or composition leather; footwear (other than footwear falling within heading No 64.01) with outer soles of rubber or artificial plastic material:
ex A	Footwear with uppers of leather: For sports and gymnastics, other than ski-boots

where they originate in Hungary and are in free circulation in the other Member States, and in respect of which applications for import licences lodged after 6 April 1976 are before the Italian authorities on the date of this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 26 April 1976.

For the Commission
Christopher SOAMES
Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 332, 29. 12. 1975, p. 3. (2) OJ No L 121, 3. 6. 1971, p. 26.