

COMMISSION DECISION

of 31 May 1976

**recognizing the scientific character of an apparatus known as 'AMPEX
Recording Apparatus PR 2 200'**

(76/544/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
1798/75 of 10 July 1975 on the importation free of
Common Customs Tariff duties of educational, scientific
and cultural materials⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No
3195/75 of 2 December 1975 laying down provisions
for the implementation of Regulation (EEC) No
1798/75⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas, by letter dated 19 January 1976, the Belgian
Government requested the Commission to determine
whether or not the apparatus known as 'AMPEX
Recording Apparatus PR 2 200' should be considered
to be a scientific apparatus;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 4 (5) of Regula-
tion (EEC) No 3195/75, a group of experts composed
of representatives of all of the Member States met on
5 May 1976 within the Committee on Duty-Free
Arrangements to examine this particular case;

Whereas this examination shows that the apparatus
concerned possesses special characteristics compared
with recording apparatus normally used for commer-

cial purposes, which enable it to produce an especially
rapid storage and read-out of the geophysical data
emitted by instruments on board stratospheric
balloons; whereas these characteristics provide ma-
terial specifically adapted to scientific research for
geophysical purposes;

Whereas it therefore possesses the character of a sci-
entific apparatus,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION :

Article 1

The undermentioned apparatus is hereby considered
to be a scientific apparatus : 'AMPEX Recording Appa-
ratus PR 2 200'.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 31 May 1976.

For the Commission

Finn GUNDELACH

Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 184, 15. 7. 1975, p. 1.

(2) OJ No L 316, 6. 12. 1975, p. 17.