

REGULATION (EEC) No 521/70 OF THE COUNCIL

of 17 March 1970

on exceptional measures in respect of imports into the French overseas departments of certain agricultural products originating in the Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament¹;

Whereas the Convention of Association between the European Economic Community and the Associated African States and Madagascar signed on 29 July 1969 provides that, for those agricultural products covered by a common organization of the market which the Associated States have an economic interest in exporting, the Community shall determine the treatment to be accorded to imports of products originating in these States, this treatment to be more favourable than the general treatment applied to like products originating in third countries;

Whereas the Decision to be adopted by the Council on the Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Economic Community must make identical provision for agricultural products originating in these Countries and Territories;

Whereas Regulation No 359/67/EEC², as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2463/69³, introduced a system of levies on imports of rice into the Community; whereas Regulation (EEC) No 805/68⁴, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2463/69, introduced a trade system for third countries in respect of beef and veal which involves the charging of customs duties and levies on imports;

Whereas Council Regulation No 517/70⁵ of 17 March 1970 on the treatment to be accorded to beef

and veal originating in the Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories exempts these products from customs duties;

Whereas Council Regulation No 404/67/EEC⁶ of 25 July 1967 on the treatment to be accorded to rice and broken rice originating in the Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories, as last extended by Regulation (EEC) No 989/69⁷, provides for a reduction in the levy on imports of husked rice, paddy rice and broken rice originating in the AASM and the OCT and, in the case of imports of milled rice originating in the AASM and the OCT, for a reduction in the levy corresponding to the reduction applicable to husked rice and a further reduction equal to the amount of protection provided for Community industry;

Whereas there have always been trade flows between the associated States, countries and territories and the French overseas departments and whereas, pursuant to Article 57 of the Convention, Title I of the Convention applies to these trade flows;

Whereas the treatment to be accorded to beef and veal and to rice and broken rice under the above-mentioned Regulations may therefore be supplemented by exempting these products from levies when they originate in the Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories and are imported into the French overseas departments;

Whereas it must be possible to apply those measures until 31 January 1975, the date on which the Convention of 29 July 1969 will expire if it enters into force not later than 1 January 1971;

Whereas the Associated States have been consulted,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

¹ OJ No C 139, 28.10.1969, p. 51.

² OJ No 174, 31.7.1967, p. 1.

³ OJ No L 312, 12.12.1969, p. 3.

⁴ OJ No L 148, 28.6.1968, p. 24.

⁵ OJ No L 65, 21.3.1970, p. 1.

⁶ OJ No 183, 5.8.1967, p. 1.

⁷ OJ No L 130, 31.5.1969, p. 2.

Article 1

Levies shall not be applied to the products listed below when they originate in the Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories and are imported into the French overseas departments:

CCT heading No	Description of goods
01.02 A II	Live animals of the domestic bovine species, other than pure-bred breeding animals
02.01 A II(a)	Meat of domestic bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen
10.06	Rice

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 April 1970.

It shall apply until 31 December 1970.

It shall, however, continue to apply until 31 January 1975 to products originating in the Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories if the Convention of Association signed at Yaoundé on 29 July 1969 and the Decision to be substituted for Council Decision of 25 February 1964¹ on the Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the Community enter into force not later than 1 January 1971.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 March 1970.

For the Council
The President
 Ch. HEGER

¹ OJ No 93, 11.6.1964, p. 1472/64.