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*(Acts whose publication is obligatory)*

**COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 311/76  
of 9 February 1976  
on the compilation of statistics on foreign workers**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN  
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European  
Economic Community, and in particular Article 213  
thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,  
Having regard to the opinion of the European Parlia-  
ment <sup>(1)</sup>,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and  
Social Committee <sup>(2)</sup>,

Whereas statistics should be made available  
concerning the number of foreign workers and the  
first employment taken up by such workers in the  
Member States of the Community,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

*Article 1*

1. Member States shall, in respect of workers who  
are nationals of another Member State or of a third  
country, compile statistics on :

- the number of workers,
- the first employment taken up by the worker  
concerned in its territory in a given year.

The statistics shall comprise the following informa-  
tion :

- nationality,
- sex,
- age,
- branch of activity or occupational group,
- region.

2. Member States shall compile statistics once a  
year from the various sources normally available to

them, in particular social security data, censuses, statis-  
tics supplied by employers or residence or work  
permits.

*Article 2*

1. Upon the entry into force of this Regulation,  
Member States shall forward to the Commission all  
available data on the information referred to in Article  
1 (1).

Within a maximum period of five years following the  
entry into force of this Regulation, Member States  
shall forward to the Commission all the data on the  
information referred to in Article 1 (1).

2. Member States, when forwarding the data to the  
Commission, shall state the sources used.

*Article 3*

1. In implementing this Regulation, Member States  
shall collaborate closely with the Commission.

2. Member States shall inform the Commission not  
later than 31 March each year of progress made in  
applying the second subparagraph of Article 2 (1).

The Commission shall report to the Council on the  
basis of the information obtained.

*Article 4*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the first day  
of the month following that of its publication in the  
*Official Journal of the European Communities*.

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

Done at Brussels, 9 February 1976.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
G. THORN

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 129, 11. 12. 1972, p. 13.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 60, 26. 7. 1973, p. 7.