

1. Member States shall not introduce or increase export duties, and, on and after 1st January, 1962, shall not apply any such duties.
2. The provisions of this Article shall not prevent any Member State from taking such measures as are necessary to prevent evasion, by means of re-export, of duties which it applies to exports to territories outside the Area of the Association.
3. For the purposes of this Article, "export duties" means any duties or charges with equivalent effect, imposed on or in connection with the exportation of goods from the territory of any Member State to the territory of any other Member State.

ARTICLE 9

Co-operation in customs-related matters

1. Member States shall take appropriate measures, including arrangements regarding administrative co-operation, to ensure that the provisions of Articles 3 to 7 and of Annexes A and B are effectively and harmoniously applied, taking account of the need to reduce as far as possible the formalities imposed on trade and of the need to achieve mutually satisfactory solutions of any difficulties arising out of the operation of those provisions.

1 As amended by Council Decision No. 12 of 1977 (13th December, 1977).

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[2. Member States shall assist each other in customs matters in general in accordance with the provisions of Annex I in order to ensure that their customs legislation is correctly applied.

3. Annex I shall apply to all products whether or not covered by the provisions of this Convention.

4. The Council may decide to amend the provisions of Annex I.] 1

ARTICLE 10

Quantitative import restrictions

1. Member States shall not introduce or intensify quantitative restrictions on imports of goods from the territory of other Member States.

2. Member States shall eliminate such quantitative restrictions as soon as possible and not later than 31st December, 1966 2, 3.

3. Each Member State shall relax quantitative restrictions progressively and in such a way that a reasonable rate of expansion of trade as a result of the application of Articles 3 and 6 is not frustrated and that no burdensome problems are created for the Member State concerned in the years immediately preceding 1st January, 1967 2, 4.

4. Each Member State shall apply the provisions of this Article in such a way that all other Member States are given like treatment.

5. On 1st July, 1960 5, Member States shall establish for all goods subject to quantitative restriction global quotas of a size not less than 20 per cent above the corresponding basic quotas. In the case of quotas which may be available also to States which are not Members, the global quotas shall include, in addition to the basic quotas increased by not less than 20 per cent, an amount not less than the total of the imports from such States in the calendar year 1959 6.

1 Paragraphs 2 to 4 to Article 9 have been introduced by Council Decision No. 3 (Rev.) of 1997 (19 June 1997). The Decision will enter into force when all the Member States have deposited their instruments of acceptance with the Depositary.

2 As amended by Council Decision No. 7 of 1963 (10th May, 1963).

3 In the case of Iceland: 31st December, 1974; see paragraph 6(a) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page Ic/3).

4 In the case of Iceland: 1st January, 1975; see paragraph 6(b) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page Ic/3).

5 In the case of Iceland: 1st March, 1970; see paragraph 6(c) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page Ic/3).

6 In the case of Iceland : 1969; see paragraph 6(d) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page Ic/3).

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6. If a basic quota is nil or negligible, Member States shall ensure that the quota to be established on 1st July, 1960 1, is of appropriate size. Before or after the establishment of any such quota, any Member State may initiate consultations about its appropriate size.

7. On 1st July, 1961, and on 1st July in each succeeding year 2, Member States shall increase each quota established in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 6 of this Article by not less than 20 per cent of an amount equivalent to the basic quota as already increased pursuant to this Article.

8. If any Member State considers that the application of paragraphs 5 to 7 of this Article to a product would cause it serious difficulties, that Member State may propose to the Council alternative arrangements for that product. The Council may, by majority decision, authorise that Member State to adopt such alternative arrangements as the Council considers appropriate.

9. Member States shall notify to the Council details of the quotas established in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

10. The Council shall, not later than 31st December, 1961, and from time to time thereafter, review the provisions of this Article and the progress made by Member States in the application of its provisions, and may decide that further or different provisions are to be applied.

11. For the purposes of this Article:

(a) "quantitative restrictions" means prohibitions or restrictions on imports from the territory of other Member States whether made effective through quotas, import licences or other measures with equivalent effect, including administrative measures and requirements restricting import;

(b) "basic quota" means any quota or the total of any quotas which have been established, together with the total of any imports which are otherwise subject to quantitative restriction, in respect of goods imported from the territory of other Member States in the calendar year 1959 3; or in the case of global quotas which are open to States which are not Members, the total of the imports under such quotas from Member States in the calendar year 1959 3;

(c) "global quota" means a quota under which licences or other authorities to import allow the holders to import any of the products covered by quota from all Member States and other States to which the quota applies.

1 In the case of Iceland: 1st March, 1970; see paragraph 6(e) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page Ic/4).

2 In the case of Iceland: On 1st January, 1971, and on 1st January in each succeeding year; see paragraph 6(f) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page Ic/4).

3 In the case of Iceland: 1969; see paragraph 6(g) of Council Decision No. 17 of 1969 (page 1c/4).

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ARTICLE 11

Quantitative export restrictions

1. Member States shall not introduce or intensify prohibitions or restrictions on exports to other Member States, whether made effective through quotas or export licences or other measures with equivalent effect, and shall eliminate any such prohibitions or restrictions not later than 31st December, 1961.
2. The provisions of this Article shall not prevent any Member State from taking such measures as are necessary to prevent evasion, by means of re-export, of restrictions which it applies to exports to territories outside the Area of the Association.

ARTICLE 12

Exceptions

Provided that such measures are not used as a means of arbitrary or unjustifiable discrimination between Member States or as a disguised restriction on trade between Member States, nothing in Articles 10 and 11 shall prevent the adoption or enforcement by any Member State of measures,

- (a) necessary to protect public morals,
- (b) necessary for the prevention of disorder or crime,
- (c) necessary to protect human, animal or plant life or health,
- (d) necessary to secure compliance with laws or regulations relating to customs enforcement, or to the classification, grading or marketing of goods, or to the operation of monopolies by means of state enterprises or enterprises given exclusive or special privileges,
- (e) necessary to protect industrial property or copyrights or to prevent deceptive practices,
- (f) relating to gold or silver,
- (g) relating to the products of prison labour, or
- (h) imposed for the protection of national treasures of artistic, historic or archaeological value.

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ARTICLE 12

Notification of draft technical regulations

1. Member States shall notify to the Council at the earliest practicable stage all draft technical regulations and certification systems or amendments thereto.
2. A notification procedure is hereby established, the details of which are contained in Annex H.
3. The Council may decide to amend the provisions of this Article and those of Annex H.

ARTICLE 13

Government aids

1. Member States shall not maintain or introduce
 - (a) the forms of aid to exports of goods to other Member States which are