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(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL AND COMMISSION

DECISION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL, AND OF THE COMMISSION

of 21 December 1987

laying down the arrangements for Spain's and Portugal's trade with Israel in products falling within the ECSC Treaty and amending Decisions 86/69/ECSC and 87/456/ECSC

(87/610/ECSC)

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL, AND THE COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community,

Whereas an Agreement has been concluded between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the State of Israel (1);

Whereas the Protocol to the abovementioned Agreement which is to be concluded as a result of the accession of Spain and Portugal must be approved by the Contracting Parties in accordance with their own procedures;

Whereas pending completion of those procedures, without which the Protocol cannot enter into force, it is necessary to establish the arrangements for Spain's and Portugal's trade with Israel which are to replace the arrangements laid down by Decision 86/69/ECSC (2), as amended by Decision 87/456/ECSC (3);

Whereas Decision 87/456/ECSC laid down the arrangements for trade between Spain and Portugal on the one hand and Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Tunisia on the other, for products falling within the ECSC Treaty, pending the entry into force of the Protocols to be concluded with those countries following the accession of Spain and Portugal;

Whereas the scope of Decision 87/456/ECSC should be extended to cover trade between Spain and Portugal with Israel;

Whereas it is necessary to amend Article 1 of Decision 86/69/ECSC;

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(1) OJ No L 165, 28. 6. 1975, p. 62.
(2) OJ No L 75, 20. 3. 1986, p. 26.
(3) OJ No L 250, 1. 9. 1987, p. 112.

Whereas this Decision should only apply subject to, and on the date of, the adoption by Israel of unilateral measures applying, with respect to that country, in advance, the provisions of the abovementioned Protocol,

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Kingdom of Spain and the Portuguese Republic shall apply the arrangements resulting from the Agreement between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the State of Israel to trade with Israel, subject to the special conditions set out in Decision 87/456/ECSC.

Article 2

In Article 1 of Decision 86/69/ECSC, 'Israel' is hereby deleted.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 1 January 1988.

It shall apply only from the date on which the State of Israel has implemented with regard to the Community the provisions of the Protocol to the Agreement between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the State of Israel consequent on the accession of the Kingdom of Spain and the Portuguese Republic to the Community and until the entry into force of that Protocol (1).

The Member States and the Commission shall take the measures necessary to implement this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 21 December 1987.

For the Commission

The President

Jacques DELORS

For the Governments of the Member States

The President

B. HAARDER

(1) The date of implementation of this Decision will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities* by the General Secretariat of the Council.