

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	2000/0039(CNS)	Procedure completed
Reliefs from duty: beer imports into Finland, temporary derogation (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 918/83)		
Subject 2.10.01 Customs union, tax and duty-free, Community transit 3.10.06.08 Wine, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages		
Geographical area Finland		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	PPE-DE LULLING Astrid	21/03/2000
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Budget	2285	20/07/2000

Key events			
23/02/2000	Legislative proposal published	COM(2000)0076	Summary
17/03/2000	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
25/05/2000	Vote in committee		Summary
25/05/2000	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0144/2000	
14/06/2000	Decision by Parliament	T5-0265/2000	Summary
20/07/2000	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
20/07/2000	End of procedure in Parliament		
29/07/2000	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2000/0039(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation

Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 026
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ECON/5/12608

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2000)0076	23/02/2000	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0581/2000 OJ C 204 18.07.2000, p. 0003	24/05/2000	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0144/2000 OJ C 067 01.03.2001, p. 0009	25/05/2000	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0265/2000 OJ C 067 01.03.2001, p. 0065-0166	14/06/2000	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Regulation 2000/1671 OJ L 193 29.07.2000, p. 0011 Summary

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PURPOSE : to amend Regulation 918/83/EEC as regards a temporary derogation for duty-free imports of beer into Finland. CONTENT : Finland has requested to be able to benefit from a derogation from the values set out in Regulation 918/83/EEC and has asked to apply a quantitative limitation for duty-free beer imports from third countries. Therefore, it is proposed to authorise Finland until 31/12/2005 to apply a quantitative limit of not less than 6 litres for duty-free imports of beer.?

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The committee adopted the report (consultation procedure) by Astrid LULLING (EPP/ED, L) approving, subject to a few non-binding amendments, the Commission proposal on amending the directives on temporary quantitative restrictions on beer imports into Finland. The proposal stemmed from a request by the Finnish government to prolong existing legislation limiting beer imports into Finland. Because of the high duty on beer in Finland, there had been a huge increase in private imports of beer from Russia and Estonia. One of the amendments adopted was designed to ensure there would be no discrimination against Estonia, should it join before 1 January 2006. Another amendment recognised that Finland had fiscal sovereignty with regard to excise duties, but pointed out that a reduction of excise differentials with other EU Member States could help to prevent an increase in cross-border shopping levels in future when Finland would be obliged to implement fully its single market responsibilities and hence to ease the current restrictions on intra-EU personal imports. ?

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In its first reading, the European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Astrid LULLING (EPP/ED, Luxembourg) amending the proposal on a temporary derogation for duty free imports of beer into Finland. Whilst no substantial amendments were made to the proposal, an addition to the recitals stated that Finland has fiscal sovereignty to apply excise taxes at a level it deems most appropriate. Whilst the provisions of this proposal do not affect that status, Finland may decide that a reduction of excise differentials with other Member States could help prevent an otherwise likely increase in cross-border shopping levels as the current restrictions on intra-EU personal imports are eased.?

Reliefs from duty: beer imports into Finland, temporary derogation (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 918/83)

PURPOSE : to amend Regulation 918/83/EEC as regards temporary restrictions on beer imports into Finland. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Regulation 1671/2000/EC amending Regulation 918/83/EEC as regards a temporary derogation for duty-free imports of beer into Finland. CONTENT : this Regulation has been amended so as to authorise Finland, until 31.12.2005, to apply a quantitative limit of no less than 6 litres for duty-free imports of beer. ENTRY INTO FORCE : this Regulation shall enter into force on 01.11.2000.?