

Procedure file

Basic information		
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Textiles products from third countries, Uruguay Round: importation common system		
Subject 3.40.10 Textile and clothing industry, leathers 6.20.01 Agreements and relations in the context of the World Trade Organization (WTO)		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	RELA External Economic Relations		04/11/1994
		PSE RANDZIO-PLATH Christa	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		03/11/1994
Council of the European Union		V MÜLLER Edith	
	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy		23/11/1994
		PPE ARGYROS Stelios	
	JURI Legal Affairs, Citizens' Rights		22/11/1994
		PSE MEDINA ORTEGA Manuel	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Health	1823	22/12/1994

Key events			
05/10/1994	Legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0414	Summary
14/11/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
12/12/1994	Vote in committee		Summary
12/12/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0108/1994	
14/12/1994	Debate in Parliament		
14/12/1994	Decision by Parliament	T4-0181/1994	Summary
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	of Parliament		
22/12/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
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Technical information

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Documentation gateway

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Final act

[Regulation 1994/3289](#)
[OJ L 349 31.12.1994, p. 0085](#) Summary

Textiles products from third countries, Uruguay Round: importation common system

This proposal for a regulation aimed to amend Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 on the common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries. It was designed to permit the effective implementation of the agreement on textiles and clothing concluded at the Uruguay Round (agreement which sought basically to put in place a dual process of deregulation and integration of this sector in three distinct phases). In order to comply with this agreement, the regulation should be amended in three respects: - safeguard clause: the measures laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 were aligned with those in the new World Trade Organisation (WTO) agreement; - the Community quantitative limits provided for in Annex V of the regulation, which affected imports from WTO members, should be adjusted at the beginning of each phase of the agreement in order to take account of the annual increase in quotas. Once the EU had incorporated those products which were subject to quantitative limits, these would be removed from the Annex; - as and when certain countries became members of the WTO, these upper limits, which imposed cumulative restrictions on their recourse to the commercial opportunities, should be abolished, as the agreement stipulated that no limit should be imposed on the combined use of options for transfer, postponement and advance utilisation. ?

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The Committee adopted amendments which clarified the Commission's proposal concerning the measure whereby the control of exchange rates and the customs classification for goods intended for export should specifically form part of the pre-shipment inspection. ?

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Parliament approved the Commission's proposal subject to the two modifications it had introduced. These amendments: - called on the Commission and the Council to notify Parliament annually, on the basis of updated statistics, of the measures and modifications applied, and of the associated administrative costs; - set the date of entry into force of the Regulation for 1.01.1995. ?

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The Council of Ministers adopted the regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 on common rules for imports of certain textile imports from third countries (Regulation (EC) No 3289/94). The Regulation is designed to permit the effective implementation of the agreement on textiles and clothing, hereinafter referred to as the "ATC", which was concluded at the Uruguay Round. This agreement basically seeks to put in place a dual process of deregulation and integration of this sector in three distinct phases and will govern all trade between Members of the WTO in textile products during the course of the deregulation process, until such time as they have been finally integrated into normal WTO rules. In order to comply with the agreement the Regulation has been amended in several respects: - scope: the Regulation covers the textile products listed in the Annex to the ATC which have not been integrated into normal WTO rules. As this integration process is to be carried out in three successive phases, the Regulation lays down a clear Community procedure for the selection of products to be integrated and notified to the WTO at each stage (1st phase 01.01.1998, 2nd phase 01.01.2002 and final phase 01.01.2005 integrating all textile products); - the Community quantitative limits provided for in Annex V of the previous regulation, which affect imports from WTO Members, are to be adjusted at the beginning of each phase of the Agreement in order to take account of the annual increase in quotas. Once the EU has incorporated those products which are subject to quantitative limits, these will be removed from the Annex; - as and when certain countries become Members of the WTO, these upper limits, which impose cumulative restrictions on their recourse to the commercial opportunities, shall be abolished, as the Agreement stipulates that no limit may be imposed on the combined use of options for transfer, postponement and advance utilization; - safeguard clause: the provisions of Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 are aligned with those of the WTO. The Regulation shall enter into force on 1.01.1995 and shall be directly applicable in all Member States. ?