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## EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES - EMERGENCY ACTION ON CERTAIN BOVINE MEAT

The following communication, dated 12 March 1975, has been received from the Commission of the European Communities.

I have the honour to advise you, for the information of the CONTRACTING PARTIFS, that the Commission of the European Communities has decided to suspend the putting into free circulation in the Community of products falling within sub-heading 16.02 B III(b)l of the common customs tariff and originating in third countries, with the exception of preparations and preserves of bovine meat and offal put up in airtight containers of a net weight not exceeding 3 kg.

This emergency action has been taken under Article 21:2 of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 805/68 of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal.

The reason for this temporary and exceptional action is that imports of these products have been found to have taken place in substitution for products for which import or advance-fixing certificates are not at present issued in pursuance of the emergency action introduced on 21 October 1974.

The Commission declares its readiness to enter into consultation with contracting parties having a substantial interest as exporters to the Community market that may wish to examine this action with it.