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Communication from the Commission of the European Communities

The following communication, dated 8 October 1984, has been received from the Commission of the European Communities.

Imports of Certain Squid Originating in Poland - Temporary
Emergency Action

In accordance with the Understanding Regarding Notification, Consultation, Dispute Settlement and Surveillance, the Commission of the European Communities wishes to communicate the following:

In pursuance of Article 4 of the Protocol for the Accession of Poland to GATT, the EEC has decided to take emergency action in respect of imports into the Community of certain squid originating in Poland and falling within sub-heading ex 03.03 B IV (a) 1 (aa) of the common customs tariff.

Under this measure, in force as from 2 October 1984, release to the Community market of the above-mentioned squid is suspended until 31 December 1984, with the exception of imports that observe the reference price of the products concerned. The measure does not apply to products in respect of which there is evidence that they had already been despatched to the Community prior to the date on which the measure took effect.

Very substantial imports of these products originating in Poland (see annex) at abnormally low prices have caused prices of commercially similar Community products on the Italian market to fall by more than 30 per cent of the average price for the year 1983 in that market.

This situation has caused serious disposal difficulties for Community production and, taking into account the foreseeable volume of imports and their prices, is threatening to aggravate the injury caused to Community producers of directly competing products.

The Community has already indicated to the Polish authorities its readiness to enter into formal bilateral consultations.

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ANNEX
SQUID "LOLIGO SPP."

- Total EEC imports from third countries 1.01 to 5.09
 - . total: 17,005 tons

- EEC imports from Poland 1.01 to 5.09
 - . total: 12,506 tons

- EEC imports from Poland at prices below the reference price, and level thereof 1.01 to 5.09
 - . total: 12,506 tons, representing 100 per cent of these imports
 - . level of Polish price in relation to reference price: 44.5 per cent

- Imports from Poland at prices below the reference price on the Italian market 1.01 to 5.09
 - . 11,317 tons, representing 100 per cent of these imports
 - . level of Polish price in relation to reference price: 44.3 per cent