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(Preparatory Acts)

COMMISSION

Proposal for a Council Directive amending for the ninth time Directive 69/169/EEC on the harmonization of provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action relating to exemption from turnover tax and excise duty on imports in international travel

*COM(87) 570 final**(Submitted by the Commission to the Council on 29 December 1987)**(88/C 102/05)*

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 99 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee,

Whereas Articles 2 (6) and 7b (4) of Council Directive 69/169/EEC ⁽¹⁾, as subsequently amended, provide that every two years, and for the first time on 31 October 1987 at the latest, the Council, acting in accordance with the procedures provided for by the Treaty on this point, is to adjust the amounts of the exemptions referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of those Articles in order to maintain their genuine value;

Whereas, according to the survey conducted by the Commission, the weighted average increase in the price index for the Member States is 6,8 % for the period from 1 October 1985 to 30 September 1987;

Whereas the resulting amounts should be rounded off,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

1. Article 2 of Directive 69/169/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) in paragraph 1, '350 ECU' is replaced by '375 ECU';
- (b) in paragraph 2, '90 ECU' is replaced by '100 ECU'.

2. Article 7b of Directive 69/169/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) in paragraph 1 (a), '280 ECU' is replaced by '300 ECU';
- (b) in paragraph 1 (b), '77 ECU' is replaced by '85 ECU';
- (c) in paragraph 2, '77 ECU' is replaced by '85 ECU'.

Article 2

1. Member States shall bring into force the measures necessary to comply with this Directive not later than 1 November 1987.

2. Member States shall inform the Commission of the provisions which they adopt to implement this Directive.

Article 3

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 133, 4. 6. 1969, p. 6.