

2. The reports and the opinions of the Committee shall be communicated to the Commission and the Member States participating. The Commission shall forward these opinions to CREST and to the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR).
3. The Committee shall consist of the persons responsible for coordinating the Member States' contributions to the project, a delegate from the Commission responsible for the latter's contribution and the project leader. Each member may be accompanied by experts.

Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the indication of the origin of certain textile products imported from third countries

(Submitted by the Commission to the Council on 17 December 1981)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the treaty establishing the European Economic Community, particularly Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the disparity between the Member States' rules on the indication of the origin of textile and clothing products from third countries is liable to hinder trade in these products, both as regards their admission to the common market and as regards their movement in the Community after being put into free circulation in a Member State;

Whereas it is necessary, in order to put right this situation, to lay down common rules for origin indications; whereas such rules will enhance the transparency of the Community's external trade in this sector, while at the same time improving the functioning of the internal market;

Whereas, however, textile and clothing products produced by outward processing should be exempt from the provisions of this negotiation, since specific provision is made for such products under Regulation (EEC) No ...;

Whereas, so as to reduce formalities to the minimum that is necessary, checking of the origin indication should be carried out only by the Member State where the products in question are put into free circulation;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Subject to the following provisions of this Regulation, articles of clothing and finished textile products set out in the Annex to this Regulation which are imported from third countries shall not be put into free circulation in a Member State unless they bear an indication of their country of origin.

2. The origin of the products referred to in paragraph 1 shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No 802/68 of 27 June 1968, concerning the common definition of the concept of the origin of goods ⁽¹⁾ and of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 749/78 of 10 April 1978 on the determination of the origin of textile and clothing products and its amendments ⁽²⁾.

3. This Regulation shall not apply to the products in question made by outward processing traffic in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC) No ...

Article 2

Checking of the origin indication required by this Regulation shall only be carried out by the Member State in whose territory the articles covered by this Regulation are put into free circulation, whatever the final destination of these articles.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 148, 23. 6. 1968.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 101, 14. 4. 1978.

Article 3

1. The origin indication shall be affixed to the product itself, or, in the case of articles which are separately wrapped, the origin indication may be shown on the wrapping.

2. The indication of origin shall be displayed in typographic characters which are easily legible and clearly visible. They shall be clearly separated from any other indication or information with the exception of trade marks and trade-names. However if the trade mark or trade-name comprises in noun, adjective or root form any indication which could be confused with the indication of origin, the indication of the trade-mark or trade-name should be clearly separate.

3. Two or several products which are habitually offered for sale as one unit may be provided with only one indication of origin.

Article 4

The indication shall be given in a language generally used in international trade for labelling purposes or in that or those of the country in which the product is put into free circulation.

Article 5

The Commission shall determine such measures for the application of this Regulation as may be necessary.

Article 6

This Regulation comes into force on ... (a date six months after adoption).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

ANNEX

List of textile products to which this Regulation applies

Common Custom Tariff heading No	NIMEXE code 1982	Description
60.02	60.02 - 40 to 80	<i>Knitted or crocheted goods</i> Gloves, mittens and mitts, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized
60.03	60.03 - 11 to 90	Stockings, under stockings, socks, ankle-socks, sockettes and the like, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized
60.04	60.04 - 02 to 90	Under garments, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized
60.05	60.05 - 01 to 99	Outer garments and other articles, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized
60.06	60.06 - 91	Knitted or crocheted fabrics and articles thereof, elastic or rubberized (including elastic knee-caps and elastic stocking): Other: Bathing costumes
61.01	61.01 - 01 to 98	<i>Apparel and clothing accessories</i> Men's and boys' outer garments
61.02	61.02 - 01 to 94	Women's and girls' and infants' outer garments
61.03	61.03 - 11 to 89	Men's and boys' under garments, including collars, shirt fronts and cuffs
61.04	61.04 - 01 to 98	Women's, girls' and infants' under garments
61.05	61.05 - 20 to 99	Handkerchiefs
61.06	61.06 - 10 to 90	Shawls, scarves, muffles, mantillas, veils and the like
61.07	61.07 - 10 to 90	Ties, bow ties and cravats
61.09	61.09 - 20 to 80	Corsets, corset belts, suspender-belts, brassières, braces, suspenders, garters and the like (including such articles of knitted and crocheted fabric) whether or not elastic
61.10	61.10 - 00	Shoes, mittens, mitts, stockings, socks and sockettes, not being knitted or crocheted goods
62.01	62.01 - 10 to 99	<i>Other made up textile articles</i> Travelling rugs and blankets
62.02	62.02 - 01 to 89	Bed linen, table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen; curtains and other furnishing articles