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# **AMENDMENTS**

## **13 - 17**

**Draft report**  
**Paul Murphy**  
(PE504.307v01-00)

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council  
on imports of rice originating in Bangladesh

Proposal for a regulation  
(COM(2012)0172 – C7-0102/2013 – 2012/0085(COD))

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**Amendment 13**  
**Bernd Lange**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 7**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(7) To ensure that the advantages of the preferential import arrangements are limited only to rice originating in Bangladesh, a certificate of origin should be issued and an export tax of an amount corresponding to the reduction of the import duty should be collected by the exporting country,

*Amendment*

(7) To ensure that the advantages of the preferential import arrangements are limited only to rice originating in Bangladesh, a certificate of origin should be issued and an export tax of an amount corresponding, ***at the minimum***, to the reduction of the import duty should be collected by the exporting country,

Or. de

**Amendment 14**  
**Bernd Lange**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 7 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(7a) To ensure that this regulation is in line with the general provisions set out in Article 208 of the Treaty, only rice that is produced in accordance with the provisions of GSP+ should benefit from this regulation;***

Or. de

**Amendment 15**  
**Daniel Caspary, Paweł Zalewski**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 7 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(7a) This Regulation is part of the Union's common commercial policy, which must be consistent with the objectives of the Union policy in the field of development cooperation, laid down in Article 208 of the TFEU, in particular the eradication of poverty and the promotion of sustainable development and good governance in the developing countries. As such it should also comply with World Trade Organisation (WTO) requirements, in particular with the Decision on Differential and More Favourable Treatment, Reciprocity and Fuller Participation of Developing Countries (the 'Enabling Clause'), adopted under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in 1979, under which WTO Members may accord differential and more favourable treatment to developing countries,***

Or. en

**Amendment 16**  
**Daniel Caspary**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Recital 7 b (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(7b) This regulation is also based on the recognition of the right of small farmers and rural workers to a decent income and to a safe and healthy working environment as fundamental in relation to achieving the general objectives of granting trade preferences to developing countries and least developed countries in particular. The Union aims to define and***

*pursue common policies and actions in order to foster the sustainable economic, social and environmental development of developing countries, with the primary aim of eradicating poverty. In this context, ratification and effective implementation of core international conventions on human and labour rights, environmental protection and good governance are essential, as reflected by the special incentive arrangement providing for additional tariff preferences under Regulation (EU) No 978/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 applying a scheme of generalised tariff preferences<sup>1</sup>,*

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 303, 31.10.2012, p. 1.

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Bernd Lange**

**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point a**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

(a) that proof is provided that an export tax of an amount corresponding to the reduction referred to in paragraph 1 has been collected by Bangladesh

*Amendment*

(a) that proof is provided that an export tax of an amount corresponding, **at the minimum**, to the reduction referred to in paragraph 1 has been collected by Bangladesh

Or. de