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Inter-German Trade Deals Criticized

By DIANE L. COUTU

Staff Reporter of The Wall Street Journal BRUSSELS, Belgium — Among the mountains of information published about the European Common Market, there's scarcely a molehill about the group's free loading quasi-member: Communist East-Germany.

East Germany doesn't abide by European Community rules. It doesn't pay into community coffers. It doesn't even recognize the EC's existence. But it is arguably

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the most pampered member of the EC 'club—the beneficiary of a multibillion-dollar crack in the Common Market's protective wall.

"You could call East Germany a de facto member of the EC," says Jan Vanous of Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates Inc. in Washington. "It's the only country in the world, except for EC countries, that has free access to the West German market."

The cozy arrangement, a boon also to West Germany, is more than covert collision between the two former halves of the German Reich. Thanks to an unusual political concession granted decades ago, the fiction of an undivided Germany is firmly embedded in the Treaty of Rome, which set up the EC. The EC's founding fathers agreed in a special protocol on German trade that East Germany was an "internal" market of West Germany, meaning that trade between them is treated as domestic rather than foreign trade.

While other EC nations have to shell out an average 10% duty on goods imported from Rast Germany, bilateral German trade is exempt from the customs, duties, tariffs and quotas normally imposed on trade between the EC and nonmember states. Additionally, West German importers can deduct almost 11% of the value of their East German imports from the overall trading tax payable to the federal government, says Clemens Wagner of the Bonn Economics Ministry. On the other hand, he says, West German exponers must tack on value-added tax to the price of "domestic" goods sold to East Germany.

Yet curiously that tax is only 6% of sales value, less than half the normal value-added tax slapped on genuine comestic trade, "East Germany is only quasi-internal trade," Mr. Wagner raplains sheepishly.

This unconventional trade arrangement gives the two Germanys a substantial competitive edge over rivals in their respective trade blocs. When general East-West trade was flourishing in the 1970s, East German trade with West Germany exceeded trade between East Germany and all the other EC countries combined, with the exception of one year.

Just in terms of their lost trade with East Germany, other EC countries are thought to underwrite "internal" German trade by an annual \$2 billion, according to one unofficial estimate.

Some of West Germany's trading partners in the West also believe that the Treaty of Rome protocol sometimes functions as a coverup for illicit trade deals between the two Germanys. East Germany's 1982 imports may be a case in point.

Faced with a hard-currency squeeze, East Germany slashed its imports from various Western nations by between 20% and 50% last year. But imports from West Germany sprinted ahead 16% from 1981, the highest real growth in inter-German

'You could call East Germany a de facto member of the Common Market. It's the only country outside the EC that has free access to the West German market.'

trade in more than a decade, according to the German Institute for Economic Research in West Berlin.

Some economists who have analyzed those imports suspect the West Germans transshipped Common Market goods to their Communist cousins. If true, East Germany had access to the EC market while circumventing the tariffs and customs duty mandatory on trade between East Germany and EC countries other than West Germany.

"From what we can see, last year East Germany imported some nontraditional goods from West Germany, goods normally imported from other Western Europeans," says Wharton's Mr. Vanous. "Importing grain out of West Germany, for example, is highly unusual. It could have been French or even U.S. grain."

Although Western bankers and other economists echo Mr. Vanous's suspicions, EC officials claim they don't have enough information to substantiate the charge, Because trade with East Germany is classi-

fied as domestic trade, they say, West Germans take the view that it's a private internal affair beyond the scope of EC supervisiem.

"They tell us everything is above board," says an EC spokesman. "And since Germans do not lie, we believe them, do we not?"

Call for Examination

In fact, most people do. But Xavier Deniau, a French member of the European Parliament, believes some kind of external check on "internal" German trade would better serve EC interests. Last month Mr. Deniau tried to investigate complaints that East bloc goods, including chemicals and heavy machinery, were spilling into West Germany tariff-free, then moving on to other EC member states, causing market disruption. But his best efforts only led him down blind alleys and to dead ends, he says.

"Except for the Germans, nobody really knows what's going any more," Mr.

Deniau says

German officials say they aren't abusing the rules. "The complaints you hear in Holland or France do not arise out of fraud," says Hans-Joerg Buck of the All-German Institute in Bonn. "Some people complain because they believe our trade with East Germany diminishes their own market share in West Germany."

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Whatever the truth, the EC depends almost exclusively on West Germany for information on possible violations of the German trade protocol. According to Bonn these incidents occur infrequently—less than 120 prosecutions for fraud since 1970, according to the West German Economics Ministry.

The most publicized case was in 1979
when three West German importers were
convicted of smuggling South Korean and
Taiwanese textiles into East Germany.
There the labels were switched before the
goods entered West Germany as East German goods, thus saving the importers 14%
customs duty and 12% import tax.

West Germany 'Suffers Most'

West German trade officials go to great lengths to show that such abuse of the system is noteworthy only because it is exceptional. Because "only 0.9%" of the imports from East Germany are reexported to other EC countries, they contend, West Germany itself bears the major cost of the abuses when they do occur.

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But the real problem is that leakage is intrinsic to the system. For example, to take advantage of lower labor and production costs in East Germany, some West German companies subcontract production to companies there. Thus, unbranded cigarettes marketed by West Germany's Tengelmann Group and sold in the West are actually produced in East Germany.

The practice is believed to be widespread among other West German makers of tobacco products, shoes, clothing, chocolates and furniture. Even West German army imiforms are manufactured in East Germany. West Germany's textile union estimates that 2,500 jobs were lost last year as a result of government subcontracting of garments to East Germany and other East European nations.

Under West German law, products entirely made in East Germany still, for purposes of trade with the EC, can be identified as West German products, so long as the contractor is West German. But notody knows what percentage of goods marked "Made in Germany" actually is produced next door because, apparently, no West German government has really at-

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