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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 7/97

of 20 December 1996

concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from the Czech Republic to the Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 1997
(extension of the double-checking system)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas a Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic⁽¹⁾, of the other part, entered into force on 1 February 1995;

Whereas the Parties decided, in Decision No .../96 of the Association Council, association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part⁽²⁾, to extend the double-checking system introduced by Decision No 2/96⁽³⁾ for the period between 1 January and 31 December 1997 subject to certain amendments;

Whereas it is consequently appropriate to amend Council Regulation (EC) No 790/96 of 29 April 1996 concerning the export of certain ECSC and EC steel products from the Czech Republic to the Community⁽⁴⁾,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 790/96 shall continue to apply for the period between 1 January and 31 December 1997, in

accordance with Council Decision No .../96 subject to the amendments shown in Article 2 of this Regulation. In the preamble and Article 1 (1) and (3) of Regulation (EC) No 790/96, references to the period 1 January to 31 December 1996 shall be replaced by references to 1 January to 31 December 1997. Article 1 (4) of the said Regulation shall be repealed.

Article 2

1. Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 790/96 shall be replaced by the text contained in the Annex to this Regulation.

2. In Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 790/96, 'Export Licence' shall be replaced by 'Export Document'.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply with effect from 1 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 December 1996.

For the Council

The President

S. BARRETT

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 360, 31. 12. 1994, p. 2.

⁽²⁾ Decision at present being published.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 133, 4. 6. 1996, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 108, 1. 5. 1996, p. 12.

ANNEX

ANNEX I

CZECH REPUBLIC

List of products subject to double-checking (1997)

Heavy Plates

(excluding ex-CN Codes)

7208 40 10
7208 51 30
7208 51 50
7208 51 91
7208 51 99
7208 52 91
7208 52 99
7208 54 10
7208 90 10
7208 90 90

Cold-rolled sheet

7209 15 00
7209 16 90
7209 17 90
7209 18 91
7209 18 99
7209 25 00
7209 26 90
7209 27 90
7209 28 90

7211 23 10
7211 23 51
7211 29 20

Hot-rolled strip and hoop

7211 14 10
7211 14 90
7211 19 20
7211 19 90
7212 60 91
7220 11 00
7220 12 00
7220 90 31
7226 19 10
7226 20 20
7226 91 10
7226 91 90

Wire rod

7213 10 00
7213 20 00
7213 91 10
7213 91 20
7213 91 41
7213 91 49
7213 91 70
7213 91 90
7213 99 10
7213 99 90

7221 00 10
7221 00 90

7227 10 00
7227 20 00
7227 90 10
7227 90 50
7227 90 95

Hematite pig iron

7201 10 19

Beams and sections

7216 31 11
7216 31 19
7216 31 91
7216 31 99
7216 32 11
7216 32 19
7216 32 91
7216 32 99

Welded Tubes

Complete CN heading 7306'

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 8/97

of 7 January 1997

concerning the issue of import licences for certain preserved mushrooms

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2125/95 of 6 September 1995 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for preserved mushrooms of the genus *Agaricus* spp.⁽¹⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2723/95⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 6 (4) thereof,

Whereas Article 6 (4) of Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 lays down that where the quantities applied for exceed the quantity available, the Commission must set a flat-rate percentage reduction and suspend the issue of licences in respect of subsequent applications;

Whereas the quantities applied for on 1 and 2 January 1997 for products originating in China exceeded the quantity available; whereas, as a result, the extent to which licences may be issued must be determined and the issue of licences for all subsequent applications should be suspended until 31 December 1997;

Whereas the quantities applied for on 1 and 2 January 1997 Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 for products originating in countries other than China, Bulgaria, Poland and Romania exceeded the quantity available; whereas, as a result, the extent to which licences may be issued must be determined and the issue of licences for all subsequent applications should be suspended until 31 December 1997,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Import licences applied for pursuant to Article 4 (1) (a) of Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 for products origina-

ting in China on 1 and 2 January 1997 and submitted to the Commission on 3 January 1997 shall be issued, bearing the wording laid down in Article 11 (1) of that Regulation, for 98,38 % of the quantity applied for.

2. Import licences applied for pursuant to Article 4 (1) (b) of Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 for products originating in China on 1 and 2 January 1997 and submitted to the Commission on 3 January 1997 shall be issued, bearing the wording laid down in Article 11 (1) of that Regulation, for 1,000 % of the quantity applied for.

Article 2

The issue of import licences applied for pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 for China shall be suspended for applications submitted from 3 January until 31 December 1997.

Article 3

Import licences applied for pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 for products originating in countries other than China, Bulgaria, Poland and Romania on 1 and 2 January 1997 and submitted to the Commission on 3 January 1997 shall be issued, bearing the wording laid down in Article 11 (1) of that Regulation, for 53,65 % of the quantity applied for.

Article 4

The issue of import licences applied for pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 2125/95 for countries other than China, Bulgaria, Poland and Romania shall be suspended for applications submitted from 3 January until 31 December 1997.

Article 5

This Regulation shall enter into force on 8 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 January 1997.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 212, 7. 9. 1995, p. 16.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 283, 25. 11. 1995, p. 12.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 9/97

of 7 January 1997

re-establishing the preferential customs duty on imports of uniflorous (standard) carnations originating in Morocco

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 4088/87 of 21 December 1987 fixing conditions for the application of preferential customs duties on imports of certain flowers originating in Cyprus, Israel, Jordan and Morocco ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 539/96 ⁽²⁾, and last in particular Article 5 (2) (b) thereof,

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 4088/87 fixes conditions for the application of a preferential customs duty on large-flowered roses, small-flowered roses, uniflorous (bloom) carnations and multiflorous (spray) carnations within the limit of tariff quotas opened annually for imports of fresh cut flowers into the Community;

Whereas Council Regulation (EC) No 1981/94 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2397/96 ⁽⁴⁾, opens and provides for the administration of Community tariff quotas for cut flowers and flower buds, fresh, originating in Cyprus, Jordan, Morocco and Israel;

Whereas Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 4088/87 stipulates that the preferential customs duty shall be reintroduced for a given product of a given origin if the prices of the imported product (full rate customs duty not deducted) are, for at least 70 % of the quantities for which prices are available on representative Community import markets, not less than 85 % of the Community producer price for a period, calculated from the actual date of suspension of the actual preferential customs duty,

- of two successive market days, after suspension under Article 2 (2) (a) of that Regulation,
- of three successive market days, after suspension under Article 2 (2) (b) of that Regulation;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1985/96 ⁽⁵⁾ fixed Community producer prices for carnations and roses for application of the arrangements for importation from the countries in question;

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 700/88 ⁽⁶⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2917/93 ⁽⁷⁾, laid

down detailed rules for the application of these arrangements;

Whereas the representative market rates defined in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3813/92 ⁽⁸⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 150/95 ⁽⁹⁾, are used to convert amounts expressed in third country currencies and are used as the basis for determining the agricultural conversion rates of the Member States' currencies; whereas detailed rules on the application and determination of these conversions were set by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1068/93 ⁽¹⁰⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1482/96 ⁽¹¹⁾;

Whereas the preferential customs duty fixed for uniflorous (standard) carnations originating in Morocco by Regulation (EC) No 1981/94 was suspended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2440/96 ⁽¹²⁾;

Whereas on the basis of price recordings made as specified in Regulations (EEC) No 4088/87 and (EEC) No 700/88 it must be concluded that the requirement for reintroduction of the preferential customs duty laid down in the last indent of Article 2 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 4088/87 is met for uniflorous (standard) carnations originating in Morocco; whereas the preferential customs duty should be reintroduced;

Whereas the quota for the products in question covers the period 1 November 1996 to 31 October 1997; whereas, as a result, the suspension of the preferential duty and the reintroduction of the Common Customs Tariff duty apply up to the end of that period at the latest,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For imports of uniflorous (standard) carnations (CN codes ex 0603 10 13 and ex 0603 10 53) originating in Morocco the preferential customs duty set by amended Regulation (EC) No 1981/94 is reintroduced.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 382, 31. 12. 1987, p. 22.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 79, 29. 3. 1996, p. 6.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 199, 2. 8. 1994, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 327, 18. 12. 1996, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 264, 17. 10. 1996, p. 14.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 72, 18. 3. 1988, p. 16.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 264, 23. 10. 1993, p. 33.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ No L 387, 31. 12. 1992, p. 1.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ No L 22, 31. 1. 1995, p. 1.

⁽¹⁰⁾ OJ No L 108, 1. 5. 1993, p. 96.

⁽¹¹⁾ OJ No L 188, 27. 7. 1996, p. 22.

⁽¹²⁾ OJ No L 331, 20. 12. 1996, p. 45.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 8 January 1997.
It shall apply until 31 October 1997 at the latest.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 January 1997.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 10/97**of 7 January 1997****concerning applications for import licences for quality wheat qualifying for the conditions referred to in Council Regulation (EC) No 774/94**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 774/94 of 29 March 1994 opening and providing for the administration of certain Community tariff quotas for high-quality beef, and for pigmeat, poultrymeat, wheat and meslin, and brans, sharps and other residues⁽¹⁾, as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2198/95⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1854/94 of 27 July 1994 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 774/94 in relation to import licences for quality wheat⁽³⁾, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2547/94⁽⁴⁾, lays down special provisions on the organization of imports under the quota opened by Regulation (EC) No 774/94; whereas Article 3 (2) of Regulation (EC) No 1854/94 provides that the Commission is to fix a uniform percentage reduction in the quantities if applications for import licences exceed the quantities which may be imported; whereas applications for licences submitted between 19 and 22 December 1996 relate to 68 000 tonnes of durum wheat falling within CN

code 1001 10 00 and the maximum quantity which may be imported is 59 934 tonnes of durum wheat; whereas the percentages for the reduction in the import licence applications submitted between 19 and 22 December 1996 qualifying for the conditions referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 774/94, should be fixed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences qualifying for the conditions referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 774/94 conveyed to the Commission before 3 January 1997 for durum wheat falling within CN code 1001 10 00 submitted between 19 and 22 December 1996 shall be accepted for the tonnages indicated therein multiplied by a coefficient of 0,882. Requests that are not conveyed to the Commission before 3 January 1997 shall be refused.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 8 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 January 1997.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 91, 8. 4. 1994, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 221, 19. 9. 1995, p. 3.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 192, 28. 7. 1994, p. 31.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 270, 21. 10. 1994, p. 7.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 11/97

of 7 January 1997

establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of
certain fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 of 21 December 1994 on detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements for fruit and vegetables⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2375/96⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 4 (1) thereof,Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3813/92 of 28 December 1992 on the unit of account and the conversion rates to be applied for the purposes of the common agricultural policy⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 150/95⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 3 (3) thereof,

Whereas Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commis-

sion fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto;

Whereas, in compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 8 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 January 1997.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 337, 24. 12. 1994, p. 66.⁽²⁾ OJ No L 325, 14. 12. 1996, p. 5.⁽³⁾ OJ No L 387, 31. 12. 1992, p. 1.⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 22, 31. 1. 1995, p. 1.

ANNEX

to the Commission Regulation of 7 January 1997 establishing the standard import values
for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(ECU/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 15	204	47,4
	624	133,6
	999	90,5
0707 00 10	624	112,4
	999	112,4
0709 10 10	220	182,0
	999	182,0
0709 90 71	052	91,4
	999	91,4
0805 10 01, 0805 10 05, 0805 10 09	052	35,4
	204	49,0
	448	24,8
	624	33,6
	999	35,7
0805 20 11	052	57,5
	204	60,9
	999	59,2
0805 20 13, 0805 20 15, 0805 20 17, 0805 20 19	052	60,7
	464	86,0
	624	92,4
	999	79,7
0805 30 20	052	62,9
	528	45,5
	600	79,5
	999	62,6
0808 10 51, 0808 10 53, 0808 10 59	060	48,8
	064	59,2
	400	85,5
	404	91,7
	720	58,5
	999	68,7
0808 20 31	052	66,4
	064	66,9
	400	103,7
	624	70,3
	999	76,8

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 68/96 (OJ No L 14, 19. 1. 1996, p. 6). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.