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## I

(Acts adopted under the EC Treaty/Euratom Treaty whose publication is obligatory)

## REGULATIONS

## COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 627/2008

of 2 July 2008

**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 Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) <sup>(1)</sup>,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1580/2007 of 21 December 2007 laying down implementing rules of Council Regulations (EC) No 2200/96, (EC) No 2201/96 and (EC) No 1182/2007 in the fruit and vegetable sector <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 138(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1580/2007 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade

negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto.

- (2) 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 138 of Regulation (EC) No 1580/2007 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 3 July 2008.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 July 2008.

*For the Commission*

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and  
Rural Development*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 510/2008 (OJ L 149, 7.6.2008, p. 61).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 350, 31.12.2007, p. 1.

## ANNEX

**to Commission Regulation of 2 July 2008 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables**

(EUR/100 kg)

| CN code    | Third country code <sup>(1)</sup> | Standard import value |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 0702 00 00 | MA                                | 39,3                  |
|            | MK                                | 32,3                  |
|            | TR                                | 64,3                  |
|            | ZZ                                | 45,3                  |
| 0707 00 05 | MK                                | 11,6                  |
|            | TR                                | 61,7                  |
|            | ZZ                                | 36,7                  |
| 0709 90 70 | TR                                | 95,4                  |
|            | ZZ                                | 95,4                  |
| 0805 50 10 | AR                                | 110,0                 |
|            | IL                                | 116,0                 |
|            | US                                | 72,2                  |
|            | ZA                                | 102,1                 |
|            | ZZ                                | 100,1                 |
| 0808 10 80 | AR                                | 88,5                  |
|            | BR                                | 92,7                  |
|            | CL                                | 96,9                  |
|            | CN                                | 93,8                  |
|            | NZ                                | 116,8                 |
|            | US                                | 88,6                  |
|            | UY                                | 55,2                  |
|            | ZA                                | 90,8                  |
| 0808 20 50 | ZZ                                | 90,4                  |
|            | AR                                | 93,6                  |
|            | CL                                | 98,4                  |
|            | CN                                | 96,2                  |
|            | ZA                                | 116,9                 |
| 0809 10 00 | ZZ                                | 101,3                 |
|            | TR                                | 204,7                 |
|            | ZZ                                | 204,7                 |
| 0809 20 95 | TR                                | 357,8                 |
|            | US                                | 354,9                 |
|            | ZZ                                | 356,4                 |
| 0809 30    | CL                                | 244,7                 |
|            | TR                                | 197,2                 |
|            | ZZ                                | 221,0                 |
| 0809 40 05 | IL                                | 154,7                 |
|            | ZZ                                | 154,7                 |

<sup>(1)</sup> Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 (OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'other origin'.

## COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 628/2008

of 2 July 2008

**amending Regulation (EC) No 1898/2006 laying down detailed rules of implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 of 20 March 2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 16(g) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex V to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> sets out the characteristics of the Community symbols that may be used on the label or packaging of products whose name has been registered as a protected geographical indication or protected designation of origin.
- (2) Those Community symbols have contributed to the development of protected geographical indications and protected designations of origin and have enabled consumers to identify certain products whose characteristics are linked to their origin.
- (3) The symbols relating to protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications are currently identical in terms of shape, colour and design. Only the wording inside the symbols makes it possible to distinguish between them.
- (4) In the light of experience gained since they were adopted and with the aim of promoting their use, it should be made easier for consumers to distinguish between

protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications. Different colours should therefore be used for the symbols relating to the two different indications.

- (5) In order to ensure that changing the colours of the Community symbols does not cause the producers and traders concerned to suffer economic loss, there should be a transitional period during which it will be possible to use Community symbols complying with the provisions applicable prior to the entry into force of this Regulation.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Protected Geographical Indications and Protected Designations of Origin,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 1898/2006 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

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

However, the packaging or labels including the Community symbols used in accordance with Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 1898/2006, as applicable prior to the entry into force of this Regulation, may be used until 1 May 2010.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 July 2008.

*For the Commission*

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 93, 31.3.2006, p. 12. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 510/2008 (OJ L 149, 7.6.2008, p. 61).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 369, 23.12.2006, p. 1.

ANNEX

Points 1, 2 and 3 of Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 1898/2006 are replaced by the following:

1. COMMUNITY SYMBOLS IN COLOUR OR BLACK AND WHITE

When used in colour, direct colours (Pantone) or four-colour process may be used. The reference colours are indicated below.

Community symbol for “Protected designation of origin” in Pantone



Pantone® 711



Pantone® Yellow 109

Community symbol for “Protected geographical indication” in Pantone



Pantone® Reflex Blue



Pantone® Yellow 109

Community symbols in four-colour process:

Community symbol for “Protected designation of origin” in four-colour process



100 % magenta  
80 % yellow



10 % magenta  
90 % yellow

Community symbol for “Protected geographical indication” in four-colour process



100 % cyan  
80 % magenta



10 % magenta  
90 % yellow

### Community symbols in black and white



### 2. COMMUNITY SYMBOLS IN NEGATIVE

If the background colour of the packaging or label is dark, the symbols may be used in negative format, using the background colour of the packaging or label.



### 3. CONTRAST WITH BACKGROUND COLOURS

If a symbol is used in colour on a coloured background which makes it difficult to see, a delimiting outer circle around the symbol should be used to improve contrast with the background colours.

**Community symbol for “Protected designation of origin”**



**Community symbol for “Protected geographical indication”**



**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 629/2008****of 2 July 2008****amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 315/93 of 8 February 1993 laying down Community procedures for contaminants in food <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 2(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> sets maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs, including maximum levels for the metals lead, cadmium and mercury.

(2) It is essential, in order to protect public health, to keep contaminants at levels which do not cause health concerns. Maximum levels for lead, cadmium and mercury must be safe and as low as reasonably achievable based upon good manufacturing and agricultural/fishery practices.

(3) On the basis of new information, good agricultural and fisheries practices do not allow keeping levels of lead, cadmium and mercury in certain aquatic species and fungi as low as required in the Annex of Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006. It is therefore necessary to revise the maximum levels fixed for those contaminants while maintaining a high level of consumer health protection.

(4) High levels of lead, cadmium and mercury have been found in certain food supplements as defined in Article 2 of Directive 2002/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 June 2002 on the

approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to food supplements <sup>(3)</sup> and were notified through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF). It has been shown that these food supplements can contribute significantly to human exposure to lead, cadmium and mercury. In order to protect public health, it is therefore appropriate to set maximum levels for lead, cadmium and mercury in food supplements. These maximum levels must be safe and as low as reasonably achievable based upon good manufacturing practices.

(5) Seaweed accumulates cadmium naturally. Food supplements consisting exclusively or mainly of dried seaweed or of products derived from seaweed can therefore contain higher levels of cadmium than other food supplements. To take this into account, a higher maximum level for cadmium is needed for food supplements consisting exclusively or mainly of seaweed.

(6) Member States and food business operators should be allowed time to adapt to the new maximum levels for food supplements. The application of the maximum levels for food supplements should therefore be deferred.

(7) An amendment of Footnote 1 of the Annex of Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 is necessary to clarify that the maximum level for fruit does not apply to tree nuts.

(8) New monitoring recommendations have been introduced by Commission Recommendation 2007/196/EC of 28 March 2007 on the monitoring of the presence of furan in foodstuffs <sup>(4)</sup> and Commission Recommendation 2007/331/EC of 3 May 2007 on the monitoring of acrylamide levels in food <sup>(5)</sup>. The provisions on monitoring and reporting in Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 therefore need to be completed with references to those new Recommendations. The monitoring exercise on polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons set out in Commission Recommendation 2005/108/EC <sup>(6)</sup> has been finalised. Therefore, the reference to that monitoring Recommendation can be deleted.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 37, 13.2.1993, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 364, 20.12.2006, p. 5. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1126/2007 (OJ L 255, 29.9.2007, p. 14).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 183, 12.7.2002, p. 51. Directive as amended by Commission Directive 2006/37/EC (OJ L 94, 1.4.2006, p. 32).

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 88, 29.3.2007, p. 56.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 123, 12.5.2007, p. 33.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 34, 8.2.2005, p. 43.

(9) Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(10) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

findings on acrylamide and furan as specified in Commission Recommendation 2007/196/EC<sup>(46)</sup> and Commission Recommendation 2007/331/EC<sup>(47)</sup>.

<sup>(44)</sup> OJ L 199, 21.7.2006, p. 21.

<sup>(45)</sup> OJ L 322, 22.11.2006, p. 24.

<sup>(46)</sup> OJ L 88, 29.3.2007, p. 56.

<sup>(47)</sup> OJ L 123, 12.5.2007, p. 33.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

#### *Article 1*

Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 is amended as follows:

1. In Article 9, paragraph 3 is replaced by the following:

‘3. Member States should report to the Commission findings on aflatoxins, dioxins, dioxin-like PCBs, non-dioxin-like PCBs as specified in Commission Decision 2006/504/EC<sup>(44)</sup> and Commission Recommendation 2006/794/EC<sup>(45)</sup>. Member States should report to EFSA

2. The Annex is amended in accordance to the Annex to this Regulation.

#### *Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

The maximum levels laid down in points 3.1.18, 3.2.19, 3.2.20 and 3.3.3 of the Annex shall apply from 1 July 2009. They shall not apply to products lawfully placed on the market before 1 July 2009. The burden of proving when the products were placed on the market shall be borne by the food business operator.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 July 2008.

*For the Commission*

Androulla VASSILIOU

*Member of the Commission*

## ANNEX

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 is amended as follows:

- (1) In Subsection 3.1 (**Lead**), point 3.1.11 is replaced by the following and a new point 3.1.18 is added:

|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |      |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| 3.1.11 | Brassica vegetables, leaf vegetables and the following fungi <sup>(27)</sup> : <i>Agaricus bisporus</i> (common mushroom), <i>Pleurotus ostreatus</i> (Oyster mushroom), <i>Lentinula edodes</i> (Shiitake mushroom) | 0,30 |
| 3.1.18 | Food supplements (*)                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 3,0  |

(\*) The maximum level applies to the food supplements as sold.

- (2) Subsection 3.2. (**Cadmium**) is replaced by the following:

|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |       |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 3.2    | <b>Cadmium</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |       |
| 3.2.1  | Meat (excluding offal) of bovine animals, sheep, pig and poultry <sup>(6)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 0,050 |
| 3.2.2  | Horsemeat, excluding offal <sup>(6)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 0,20  |
| 3.2.3  | Liver of bovine animals, sheep, pig, poultry and horse <sup>(6)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 0,50  |
| 3.2.4  | Kidney of bovine animals, sheep, pig, poultry and horse <sup>(6)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1,0   |
| 3.2.5  | Muscle meat of fish <sup>(24)</sup> <sup>(25)</sup> , excluding species listed in points 3.2.6, 3.2.7 and 3.2.8                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 0,050 |
| 3.2.6  | Muscle meat of the following fish <sup>(24)</sup> <sup>(25)</sup> :<br>bonito ( <i>Sarda sarda</i> )<br>common two-banded seabream ( <i>Diplodus vulgaris</i> )<br>eel ( <i>Anguilla anguilla</i> )<br>grey mullet ( <i>Mugil labrosus labrosus</i> )<br>horse mackerel or scad ( <i>Trachurus species</i> )<br>louvar or luvar ( <i>Luvarus imperialis</i> )<br>mackerel ( <i>Scomber species</i> )<br>sardine ( <i>Sardina pilchardus</i> )<br>sardinops ( <i>Sardinops species</i> )<br>tuna ( <i>Thunnus species</i> , <i>Euthynnus species</i> , <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i> )<br>wedge sole ( <i>Dicologlossa cuneata</i> ) | 0,10  |
| 3.2.7  | Muscle meat of the following fish <sup>(24)</sup> <sup>(25)</sup> :<br>bullet tuna ( <i>Auxis species</i> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 0,20  |
| 3.2.8  | Muscle meat of the following fish <sup>(24)</sup> <sup>(25)</sup> :<br>anchovy ( <i>Engraulis species</i> )<br>swordfish ( <i>Xiphias gladius</i> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 0,30  |
| 3.2.9  | Crustaceans, excluding brown meat of crab and excluding head and thorax meat of lobster and similar large crustaceans ( <i>Nephropidae</i> and <i>Palinuridae</i> ) <sup>(26)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 0,50  |
| 3.2.10 | Bivalve molluscs <sup>(26)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1,0   |
| 3.2.11 | Cephalopods (without viscera) <sup>(26)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1,0   |
| 3.2.12 | Cereals excluding bran, germ, wheat and rice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 0,10  |
| 3.2.13 | Bran, germ, wheat and rice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0,20  |
| 3.2.14 | Soybeans                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 0,20  |
| 3.2.15 | Vegetables and fruit, excluding leaf vegetables, fresh herbs, fungi, stem vegetables, root vegetables and potatoes <sup>(27)</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 0,050 |

|        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |      |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| 3.2.16 | Stem vegetables, root vegetables and potatoes, excluding celeriac <sup>(27)</sup> . For potatoes the maximum level applies to peeled potatoes.                                                                         | 0,10 |
| 3.2.17 | Leaf vegetables, fresh herbs, celeriac and the following fungi <sup>(27)</sup> : <i>Agaricus bisporus</i> (common mushroom), <i>Pleurotus ostreatus</i> (Oyster mushroom), <i>Lentinula edodes</i> (Shiitake mushroom) | 0,20 |
| 3.2.18 | Fungi, excluding those listed in point 3.2.17 <sup>(27)</sup>                                                                                                                                                          | 1,0  |
| 3.2.19 | Food supplements (*) excl. food supplements listed in point 3.2.20                                                                                                                                                     | 1,0  |
| 3.2.20 | Food supplements (*) consisting exclusively or mainly of dried seaweed or of products derived from seaweed                                                                                                             | 3,0  |

(\*) The maximum level applies to the food supplements as sold.'

(3) In Subsection 3.3 (**Mercury**), point 3.3.2 is replaced by the following and a new point 3.3.3 is added:

|       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |      |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| 3.3.2 | Muscle meat of the following fish <sup>(24)</sup> <sup>(25)</sup> :<br>anglerfish ( <i>Lophius species</i> )<br>Atlantic catfish ( <i>Anarhichas lupus</i> )<br>bonito ( <i>Sarda sarda</i> )<br>eel ( <i>Anguilla species</i> )<br>emperor, orange roughy, rosy soldierfish ( <i>Hoplostethus species</i> )<br>grenadier ( <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i> )<br>halibut ( <i>Hippoglossus hippoglossus</i> )<br>kingklip ( <i>Genypterus capensis</i> )<br>marlin ( <i>Makaira species</i> )<br>megrim ( <i>Lepidorhombus species</i> )<br>mullet ( <i>Mullus species</i> )<br>pink cusk eel ( <i>Genypterus blacodes</i> )<br>pike ( <i>Esox lucius</i> )<br>plain bonito ( <i>Orcynopsis unicolor</i> )<br>poor cod ( <i>Tricopterus minutus</i> )<br>Portuguese dogfish ( <i>Centroscyllium coelelepis</i> )<br>rays ( <i>Raja species</i> )<br>redfish ( <i>Sebastes marinus</i> , <i>S. mentella</i> , <i>S. viviparus</i> )<br>sail fish ( <i>Istiophorus platypterus</i> )<br>scabbard fish ( <i>Lepidopus caudatus</i> , <i>Aphanopus carbo</i> )<br>seabream, pandora ( <i>Pagellus species</i> )<br>shark (all species)<br>snake mackerel or butterfish ( <i>Lepidocybium flavobrunneum</i> , <i>Ruvettus pretiosus</i> , <i>Gempylus serpens</i> )<br>sturgeon ( <i>Acipenser species</i> )<br>swordfish ( <i>Xiphias gladius</i> )<br>tuna ( <i>Thunnus species</i> , <i>Euthynnus species</i> , <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i> ) | 1,0  |
| 3.3.3 | Food supplements (*)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0,10 |

(\*) The maximum level applies to the food supplements as sold.'

(4) In footnote <sup>(1)</sup> the following sentence is added:

'Tree nuts are not covered by the maximum level for fruit.'

(5) Footnote <sup>(8)</sup> is replaced by the following:

'<sup>(8)</sup> Foodstuffs listed in this category as defined in Commission Directive 2006/141/EC (OJ L 401, 30.12.2006, p. 1).'

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 630/2008****of 2 July 2008****setting the allocation coefficient for issuing of licences applied for from 23 to 27 June 2008 to  
import sugar products under tariff quotas and preferential agreements**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 of 20 February 2006 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector <sup>(1)</sup>,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 950/2006 of 28 June 2006 laying down detailed rules for the 2006/07, 2007/08 and 2008/09 marketing years for importing and refining of sugar products under certain tariff quotas and preferential agreements <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 5(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Applications for import licences were submitted to the competent authority during the period from 23 to 27 June 2008, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 950/2006 or Commission Regulation (EC) No 1832/2006 of 13 December 2006 laying down transitional measures in the sugar sector by reason of the

accession of Bulgaria and Romania <sup>(3)</sup> for a total quantity equal to or exceeding the quantity available for serial number 09.4351 (2007 to 2008).

- (2) In these circumstances, the Commission should fix an allocation coefficient in order to issue licences in proportion to the quantity available and inform the Member States that the set limit has been reached,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Licences shall be issued within the quantitative limits set in the Annex to this Regulation in respect of applications for import licences submitted from 23 to 27 June 2008, in accordance with Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006 or Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1832/2006.

*Article 2*

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

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

Done at Brussels, 2 July 2008.

*For the Commission*

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and  
Rural Development*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 58, 28.2.2006, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1260/2007 (OJ L 283, 27.10.2007, p. 1). Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 will be replaced by Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1) as from 1 October 2008.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 178, 1.7.2006, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 371/2007 (OJ L 92, 3.4.2007, p. 6).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 8.

## ANNEX

**ACP-India Preferential Sugar**  
**Title IV of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006**  
**2007/2008 marketing year**

| Serial No | Country               | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit   |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 09.4331   | Barbados              | 100                                                                      | Reached |
| 09.4332   | Belize                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4333   | Côte d'Ivoire         | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4334   | Republic of the Congo | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4335   | Fiji                  | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4336   | Guyana                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4337   | India                 | 0                                                                        |         |
| 09.4338   | Jamaica               | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4339   | Kenya                 | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4340   | Madagascar            | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4341   | Malawi                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4342   | Mauritius             | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4343   | Mozambique            | 0                                                                        | Reached |
| 09.4344   | Saint Kitts and Nevis | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4345   | Suriname              | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4346   | Swaziland             | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4347   | Tanzania              | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4348   | Trinidad and Tobago   | —                                                                        | Reached |
| 09.4349   | Uganda                | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4350   | Zambia                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4351   | Zimbabwe              | 100                                                                      |         |

**ACP-India Preferential Sugar**  
**Title IV of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006**  
**2008/2009 marketing year**

| Serial No | Country               | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit   |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 09.4331   | Barbados              | 100                                                                      | Reached |
| 09.4332   | Belize                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4333   | Côte d'Ivoire         | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4334   | Republic of the Congo | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4335   | Fiji                  | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4336   | Guyana                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4337   | India                 | 0                                                                        |         |
| 09.4338   | Jamaica               | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4339   | Kenya                 | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4340   | Madagascar            | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4341   | Malawi                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4342   | Mauritius             | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4343   | Mozambique            | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4344   | Saint Kitts and Nevis | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4345   | Suriname              | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4346   | Swaziland             | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4347   | Tanzania              | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4348   | Trinidad and Tobago   | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4349   | Uganda                | —                                                                        |         |
| 09.4350   | Zambia                | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4351   | Zimbabwe              | 100                                                                      |         |

**Complementary Sugar**  
**Title V of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006**  
**2007/2008 marketing year**

| Serial No | Country                          | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit |
|-----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 09.4315   | India                            | 100                                                                      |       |
| 09.4316   | ACP Protocol signatory countries | 100                                                                      |       |

**CXL Concessions Sugar****Title VI of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006****2007/2008 marketing year**

| Serial No | Country               | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit   |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 09.4317   | Australia             | 0                                                                        | Reached |
| 09.4318   | Brazil                | 0                                                                        | Reached |
| 09.4319   | Cuba                  | 0                                                                        | Reached |
| 09.4320   | Other third countries | 0                                                                        | Reached |

**Balkans sugar****Title VII of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006****2007/2008 marketing year**

| Serial No | Country                                  | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit   |
|-----------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 09.4324   | Albania                                  | 100                                                                      | Reached |
| 09.4325   | Bosnia and Herzegovina                   | 0                                                                        |         |
| 09.4326   | Serbia, Montenegro and Kosovo            | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4327   | Former Yugoslav Republic<br>of Macedonia | 100                                                                      |         |
| 09.4328   | Croatia                                  | 100                                                                      |         |

**Exceptional import sugar and industrial import sugar****Title VIII of Regulation (EC) No 950/2006****2007/2008 marketing year**

| Serial No | Type        | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit |
|-----------|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 09.4380   | Exceptional | —                                                                        |       |
| 09.4390   | Industrial  | —                                                                        |       |

**Import of sugar under the transitional tariff quotas opened for Bulgaria and Romania****Chapter 1 Section 2 of Regulation (EC) No 1832/2006****2007/2008 marketing year**

| Order No | Type     | Week of<br>23.6.2008-27.6.2008: % of requested<br>quantity to be granted | Limit   |
|----------|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 09.4365  | Bulgaria | 0                                                                        | Reached |
| 09.4366  | Romania  | 0                                                                        | Reached |

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 631/2008****of 2 July 2008****amending the representative prices and additional duties for the import of certain products in the sugar sector fixed by Regulation (EC) No 1109/2007 for the 2007/08 marketing year**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 of 20 February 2006 on the common organisation of the markets in the sugar sector <sup>(1)</sup>,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 951/2006 of 30 June 2006 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 as regards trade with third countries in the sugar sector <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular of the Article 36,

Whereas:

- (1) The representative prices and additional duties applicable to imports of white sugar, raw sugar and certain syrups

for the 2007/08 marketing year are fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1109/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>. These prices and duties have been last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 573/2008 <sup>(4)</sup>.

- (2) The data currently available to the Commission indicate that the said amounts should be changed in accordance with the rules and procedures laid down in Regulation (EC) No 951/2006,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The representative prices and additional duties on imports of the products referred to in Article 36 of Regulation (EC) No 951/2006, as fixed by Regulation (EC) No 1109/2007 for the 2007/08 marketing year are hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 3 July 2008.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 July 2008.

*For the Commission*

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and  
Rural Development*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 58, 28.2.2006, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1260/2007 (OJ L 283, 27.10.2007, p. 1). Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 will be replaced by Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1) as from 1 October 2008.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 178, 1.7.2006, p. 24. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1568/2007 (OJ L 340, 22.12.2007, p. 62).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 253, 28.9.2007, p. 5.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 161, 20.6.2008, p. 11.

## ANNEX

**Amended representative prices and additional duties applicable to imports of white sugar, raw sugar and products covered by CN code 1702 90 95 applicable from 3 July 2008**

(EUR)

| CN code                   | Representative price per 100 kg of the product concerned | Additional duty per 100 kg of the product concerned |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 1701 11 10 <sup>(1)</sup> | 23,17                                                    | 4,71                                                |
| 1701 11 90 <sup>(1)</sup> | 23,17                                                    | 9,95                                                |
| 1701 12 10 <sup>(1)</sup> | 23,17                                                    | 4,52                                                |
| 1701 12 90 <sup>(1)</sup> | 23,17                                                    | 9,52                                                |
| 1701 91 00 <sup>(2)</sup> | 23,80                                                    | 13,75                                               |
| 1701 99 10 <sup>(2)</sup> | 23,80                                                    | 8,81                                                |
| 1701 99 90 <sup>(2)</sup> | 23,80                                                    | 8,81                                                |
| 1702 90 95 <sup>(3)</sup> | 0,24                                                     | 0,40                                                |

<sup>(1)</sup> Fixed for the standard quality defined in Annex I.III to Council Regulation (EC) No 318/2006 (OJ L 58, 28.2.2006, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> Fixed for the standard quality defined in Annex I.II to Regulation (EC) No 318/2006.

<sup>(3)</sup> Fixed per 1 % sucrose content.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 632/2008****of 2 July 2008****amending Regulation (EC) No 1019/2002 on marketing standards for olive oil**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Articles 113(1)(a) and 121(h) in conjunction with Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1019/2002 <sup>(2)</sup> provides for a system designating certain optional references for olive oils. Under Article 5(c) of that Regulation, indications of organoleptic properties of virgin olive oils may appear on the labelling only if they are based on the results of a method of analysis provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2568/91 of 11 July 1991 on the characteristics of olive oil and olive-residue oil and on the relevant methods of analysis <sup>(3)</sup>.
- (2) The work launched by the International Olive Council (IOC) with a view to finding new organoleptic evaluation methods enabling the range of positive attributes of virgin olive oils to be expanded was concluded in November 2007. Community legislation is in the process of being brought into line with the revised method of the IOC. It would however be premature to apply Article 5(c) of Regulation (EC) No 1019/2002

from the formal start of the 2008/09 marketing year, i.e. on 1 July 2008.

- (3) The date on which Article 5(c) of Regulation (EC) No 1019/2002 becomes applicable should therefore be postponed until 30 November 2008, which coincides with the date on which the bottling of oils from the 2008/09 marketing year will begin.
- (4) Regulation (EC) No 1019/2002 should be amended accordingly.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for the Common Organisation of Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The third subparagraph of Article 12(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1019/2002 is hereby replaced by the following:

‘Article 5(c) shall apply from 30 November 2008.’

*Article 2*

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

It shall apply from 1 July 2008.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 July 2008.

*For the Commission*

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

*Member of the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 510/2008 (OJ L 149, 7.6.2008, p. 61).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 155, 14.6.2002, p. 27. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1044/2006 (OJ L 187, 8.7.2006, p. 20).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 248, 5.9.1991, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 702/2007 (OJ L 161, 22.6.2007, p. 11).

## II

(Acts adopted under the EC Treaty/Euratom Treaty whose publication is not obligatory)

## DECISIONS

## COMMISSION

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 8 April 2008

**amending Decision 2001/781/EC adopting a manual of receiving agencies and a glossary of documents that may be served under Council Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000 on the service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters**

(notified under document number C(2008) 1259)

(2008/541/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000 of 29 May 2000 on the service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters, <sup>(1)</sup> and in particular point (a) of Article 17 thereof,

After consulting the committee established by Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to implement Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000 it was necessary to draw up and publish a manual containing information about the receiving agencies designated pursuant to Article 2 of that Regulation. That manual is in Annex I to Commission Decision 2001/781/EC of 25 September 2001 adopting a manual of receiving agencies and a glossary of documents that may be served under Council Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000 on the service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters <sup>(2)</sup>.

- (2) Following modifications of the information communicated to the Commission pursuant to Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000, it is necessary to amend the manual.

- (3) Decision 2001/781/EC should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Sole Article*

The Manual containing the information relating to the receiving agencies in Annex I to Decision 2001/781/EC is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 8 April 2008.

*For the Commission*  
Jacques BARROT  
Vice-President

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 160, 30.6.2000, p. 37.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 298, 15.11.2001, p. 1. Decision as last amended by Decision 2007/500/EC (OJ L 185, 17.7.2007, p. 24).

## ANNEX

In the manual containing the information relating to the receiving agencies the following sections are added after the section relating to the United Kingdom:

**‘CZECH REPUBLIC**

I. Receiving agencies: District courts.

Contact details are in the manual of receiving agencies accessible on the website of the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/judicialatlascivil/](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/)

II. Means of receipt available:

- by a postal licence holder,
- fax,
- e-mail.

III. The form may be completed in Czech, Slovak, English or German.

**DENMARK**

I. The Ministry of Justice is the receiving agency.

Justitsministeriet  
Slotsholmsgade 10  
DK-1216 København K  
Tel: (45) 7226 8400  
Fax: (45) 3393 3510  
E-mail: jm@jm.dk

The Ministry of Justice is the receiving agency for the whole country.

II. Documents may be sent by post, fax or e-mail as long as the document received reproduces the document served in full and all details of the document are clearly legible.

III. Denmark accepts that the form annexed to the Regulation may be filled out in Danish, English or French.

**ESTONIA**

I. Receiving agencies: The receiving agency for judicial documents is the Ministry of Justice.

Justiitsministeerium  
Tõnismägi 5a  
15191 Tallinn  
Eesti  
Tel. (372) 6 208 183 and (372) 620 8186  
Fax. (372) 6 208 109  
E-mail: central.authority@just.ee

II. The following means of communication are available:

- for receipt and dispatch of documents: post, including private courier services,
- for other communications: telephone and e-mail.

III. Apart from Estonian, English is permitted.

**CYPRUS**

I. Receiving agency: Ministry of Justice and Public Order.

Υπουργείο Δικαιοσύνης και Δημοσίας Τάξεως (Ministry of Justice and Public Order)  
Λεωφόρος Αθαλάσσας (Athalassas Avenue 125)  
CY-1461 Λευκωσία [Lefkosia (Nicosia)]  
Κύπρος (Cyprus)  
Tel: (357) 2280 5928  
Fax: (357) 2251 8328  
E-mail: registry@mjpo.gov.cy

II. Means of receipt of documents available to them:

post, fax, email.

III. Languages that may be used for completion of the standard form:

Greek and English.

**LATVIA**

I. Receiving agency:

Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia  
Blvd. Brīvības 36  
LV-1536, Riga  
Latvia  
Tel. (371) 67036716  
Fax. (371) 67210823  
E-mail: tm.kanceleja@tm.gov.lv

The Ministry of Justice is the receiving agency for the whole country.

II. Means of receipt of documents available to them:

Documents may be received by post, fax or e-mail.

Request for service of documents and certificate of service may be received by fax or e-mail if it is also sent by post.

III. Languages that may be used for completion of the standard form:

Apart from Latvian, Latvia accepts standard forms which are completed in English.

**LITHUANIA**

I. Receiving agencies: the receiving agencies are the Courts of first Instance.

Contact details are in the manual of receiving agencies accessible on the website of the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/judicialatlascivil/](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/)

II. Means of receipt of documents available to them:

Service of judicial and extra-judicial documents is accepted by means of post and fax.

III. Languages that may be used for completion of the standard form (see Article 4):

Apart from Lithuanian, Lithuania will accept standard request forms which are completed in French or English.

**HUNGARY****I. Receiving agencies:**

In accordance with Article 2(3) for a period of five years the Ministry of Justice is designated as receiving agency. All requests shall be transmitted to: Ministry of Justice, Department of Private International Law.

Igazságügyi Minisztérium  
Nemzetközi Magánjogi Osztály  
1363 Budapest  
Postafiók 54  
Tel. (36-1) 4413110  
Fax: (36-1) 4413112  
E-mail: nemzm@im.hu

**II. Means of receipt of documents available to them:**

mail, fax, e-mail.

**III. Languages that may be used for completion of the standard form (see Article 4):**

Hungarian, German, English, French.

**MALTA****I. Receiving agencies designated:**

Agency:

Attorney General's Office  
The Palace  
St George's Square  
Valletta. CMR02

Public officers:

(1) Cynthia Scerri De Bono  
Attorney General's Office  
The Palace  
St George's Square  
Valletta. CMR02.  
Tel: (00356) 2125683206  
Fax: (00356) 21237281  
Email: cynthia.scerri-debono@gov.mt

(2) Heidi Testa  
Attorney General's Office  
The Palace  
St George's Square  
Valletta. CMR02.  
Tel: (00356) 2125683209, (00356) 21225560  
Fax: (00356) 21237281  
Email: heidi.testa@gov.mt

**II. Means of receipt of documents available to them: original documents to be sent by post. Documents may be advanced by fax/email.****III. Languages that may be used for completion of the standard form: English.**

**POLAND**

- I. Receiving agencies are District Courts — *Sądy Rejonowe*.

Contact details are in the manual of receiving agencies accessible on the website of the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/judicialatlascivil/](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/)

- II. Documents may be received by post only.
- III. The standard form may be completed in Polish or English or German.

**ROMANIA**

- I. The Romanian receiving agency for requests for service of judicial and extrajudicial documents from Member States of the European Union is the court in the district where the addressee is resident or the professional establishment is located.

Contact details are in the manual of receiving agencies accessible on the website of the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/judicialatlascivil/](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/)

- II. In addition to forms completed in Romanian, Romania also accepts standard application forms completed in English or French.

**SLOVENIA**

- I. Receiving agencies are: District Courts.

Contact details are in the manual of receiving agencies accessible on the website of the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/judicialatlascivil/](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/)

- II. Original documents may be received by post only.
- III. The standard form may be completed in Slovenian or English.

**SLOVAKIA**

- I. Receiving agencies are District Courts (*Okresný súd*) which have territorial jurisdiction according to the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters.

Contact details are in the manual of receiving agencies accessible on the website of the European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/judicialatlascivil/](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/)

- II. Language that may be used for completion of the standard form (Article 4): Slovak language.'
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**COMMISSION DECISION**  
**of 13 June 2008**  
**setting up an Expert Group on Credit Histories**  
(2008/542/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

*Article 1*

A group of experts on credit histories (hereinafter referred to as the group) is hereby set up by the Commission.

Whereas:

(1) The Commission Communication on a single market for 21st century Europe <sup>(1)</sup>, adopted in November 2007, was accompanied by a Staff Working Document on retail financial services <sup>(2)</sup>, which stressed the importance of the access to and availability of credit data in promoting competitive retail financial services markets. It also announced the establishment of an expert group on credit histories.

*Article 2*

**Task**

The task of the group is to:

(2) The White Paper on the Integration of EU Mortgage Credit Markets <sup>(3)</sup> concluded that mortgage lenders and intermediaries should be required to adequately assess, by all appropriate means, the creditworthiness of borrowers before granting mortgage loans. It also concluded that mortgage lenders should not be discriminated against when accessing credit registers in other Member States and that credit data should circulate smoothly, while complying fully with Community data protection rules.

— identify all legal, regulatory, administrative and other obstacles to the access to and the exchange of credit data. In particular, the group shall analyse the possible impacts of the coexistence of different approaches to the organisation and working of credit registers in the Community and identify the consequences thereof from an economic point of view. It will also analyse the existing situation from the consumer protection (including data protection) point of view,

(3) The Commission wishes to identify all legal, regulatory, administrative and other obstacles to the access to and the exchange of credit data, and to be advised on how to address these obstacles whilst ensuring a high level of consumer protection.

— present proposals as to how the identified obstacles could be addressed. To this end, the group shall aim at identifying solutions which maximise credit data circulation whilst ensuring a high level of consumer protection.

*Article 3*

**Composition — Appointment**

(4) The expert group should be composed of individuals having competence in the area of credit data.

1. The group shall be composed of a maximum of 20 members.

(5) It is important to ensure that members of the group provide objective expert advice.

2. The members of the group shall be appointed by the Commission from experts with competence in the area covered by the mandate of the group, following a call for expression of interest, on the basis of proposals from any of the following:

(6) Personal data relating to members of the group should be processed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data <sup>(4)</sup>,

— European or national associations, representing the interests of consumers or the financial services industry,

<sup>(1)</sup> COM(2007) 724 final.

<sup>(2)</sup> SEC(2007) 1520.

<sup>(3)</sup> COM(2007) 807 final.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 8, 12.1.2001, p. 1.

— private or public credit data collectors or credit data processors from Member States,

- representatives of Member States data protection authorities,
- individuals with an academic background or recognised expertise in the area of credit data, including data protection.

3. The parties referred to in paragraph 2 shall express their interest in the participation in the Group in writing.

4. The Commission shall assess the eligibility of individual experts against the following criteria:

- relevant demonstrable knowledge or competence in relation to the area covered by the mandate of the group,
- recent practical expertise or experience,
- proficiency in a language which is customary in the sphere of finance, at a level which allows the expert to participate in discussions and draft reports in that language.

Expressions of interest received shall include documentation demonstrating that the proposed expert meets the above conditions.

5. The Commission shall select experts having in mind the need to represent the interests of all relevant stakeholders. As stated in its White Paper on Financial Services Policy 2005-2010, the Commission attaches a high importance to having a proportionate user representation. In addition, the Commission shall ensure a broad geographical representation and a balanced gender composition on the basis of the proposals received.

6. Proposed experts who have been deemed suitable but have not been appointed may be placed on a reserve list, which the Commission may use for the appointment of replacements.

7. The following provisions shall apply:

- members proposed by European or national associations, representing interests of consumers or the financial services industry, or by credit data collectors or credit data processors, are appointed as stakeholders' representatives,
- members from data protection authorities are appointed as representatives of their respective authorities,

- members with an academic background or recognised expertise are appointed in a personal capacity,

- the mandate of the members of the group shall start with the first meeting of the group and end with the completion of a report, no later than 1 May 2009. Members shall remain in office until their replacement or the end of their mandate,

- members who are no longer able to contribute effectively to the group's deliberations, who resign or who do not respect the conditions set out in this Article or Article 287 of the Treaty establishing the European Community may be replaced for the remaining period of their mandate,

- the names of the members shall be published in the Register of Expert Groups of the European Commission <sup>(1)</sup> and on the Internet site of the DG Internal Market and Services. The names of members are collected, processed and published in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regards to the processing of personal data,

- members appointed in a personal capacity shall each year sign an undertaking to act in the public interest and a declaration indicating the absence or existence of any interest which may undermine their objectivity.

#### Article 4

##### Operation

1. The group shall be chaired by a representative of the Commission.

2. In agreement with the Commission, sub-groups may be set up to examine specific questions under terms of reference established by the group; they shall be disbanded as soon as these have been fulfilled.

3. The representative of the Commission may invite experts and observers with specific knowledge to participate in the work of the group and the working groups.

4. Information obtained by participating in the group's or sub-group's deliberations may not be divulged if the Commission says that this relates to confidential matters.

<sup>(1)</sup> [http://ec.europa.eu/secretariat\\_general/regexp/](http://ec.europa.eu/secretariat_general/regexp/)

5. The group and its sub-groups shall normally meet at the Commission premises, in the form and according to the timetable determined by the Commission. The Secretariat of the Group shall be provided by the Commission. Commission officials with an interest in the area may attend meetings of the group and its sub-groups.

6. The group shall adopt its rules of procedure on the basis of the standard rules of procedure adopted by the Commission <sup>(1)</sup>.

7. The Commission may publish on the Internet, in the original language of the document concerned, any summary, conclusion, or partial conclusion or working document of the group.

#### *Article 5*

##### **Meeting expenses**

1. The Commission shall reimburse travel and subsistence expenses for members in connection with the activities of the

group in accordance with the provisions in force within the Commission <sup>(2)</sup>. The members shall not be paid for their services.

2. Meeting expenses are reimbursed within the limits of the appropriations allocated to the department concerned under the annual procedure for allocating resources.

Done at Brussels, 13 June 2008.

*For the Commission*

Charlie McCREEVY

*Member of the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> Annex III to document SEC(2005) 1004.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Decision C(2007) 5858 of 5 December 2007.

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 18 June 2008

**amending Decision 2006/415/EC concerning certain protection measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza of the subtype H5N1 in poultry in the Community***(notified under document number C(2008) 2701)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2008/543/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/662/EEC of 11 December 1989 concerning veterinary checks in intra-Community trade with a view to the completion of the internal market <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 9(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/425/EEC of 26 June 1990 concerning veterinary and zootechnical checks applicable in intra-Community trade in certain live animals and products with a view to the completion of the internal market <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 10(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 2005/94/EC of 20 December 2005 on Community measures for the control of avian influenza and repealing Directive 92/40/EEC <sup>(3)</sup>, and in particular Article 63(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Directive 2005/94/EC sets out certain preventive measures relating to the surveillance and the early detection of avian influenza and the minimum control measures to be applied in the event of an outbreak of that disease in poultry or other captive birds. It provides that detailed rules, required by the epidemiological situation to supplement the minimum control measures provided for in that Directive, are to be laid down.

(2) Commission Decision 2006/415/EC of 14 June 2006 concerning certain protection measures in relation to

highly pathogenic avian influenza of the subtype H5N1 in poultry in the Community and repealing Decision 2006/135/EC <sup>(4)</sup> lays down certain protection measures to be applied in order to prevent the spread of that disease, including the establishment of areas A and B following a suspected or confirmed outbreak of the disease. Those areas are listed in the Annex to Decision 2006/415/EC and at present include parts of Germany and Poland. That Decision currently applies until 30 June 2008.

(3) Since there is a continuing risk of outbreaks of highly pathogenic avian influenza of the subtype H5N1 within the Community, the measures laid down in Decision 2006/415/EC should be maintained in order to be used where that virus is detected in poultry, thereby supplementing the measures provided for in Directive 2005/94/EC.

(4) Given the current epidemiological situation in relation to avian influenza in the Community, it is appropriate to extend the period of application of Decision 2006/415/EC until 30 June 2009.

(5) Germany and Poland have notified the Commission that, due to the favourable disease situation on their territory, they are no longer applying protection measures in relation to outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza of the subtype H5N1. The measures established in accordance with Article 4(2) of Decision 2006/415/EC for areas A and B in those Member States are therefore no longer necessary.

(6) Decision 2006/415/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

(7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 395, 30.12.1989, p. 13. Directive as last amended by Directive 2004/41/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 157, 30.4.2004, p. 33, corrected version in OJ L 195, 2.6.2004, p. 12).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 29. Directive as last amended by Directive 2002/33/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 315, 19.11.2002, p. 14).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 10, 14.1.2006, p. 16.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 164, 16.6.2006, p. 51. Decision as last amended by Decision 2008/70/EC (OJ L 18, 23.1.2008, p. 25).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 2*

This Decision shall apply from 1 July 2008.

*Article 1*

*Article 3*

Decision 2006/415/EC is amended as follows:

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

1. In Article 12, the date '30 June 2008' is replaced by '30 June 2009'.

Done at Brussels, 18 June 2008.

2. In Parts A and B of the Annex, the entries for Germany and Poland are deleted.

*For the Commission*  
Androulla VASSILIOU  
*Member of the Commission*

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## COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 June 2008

**amending Decision 2004/858/EC in order to transform the 'Executive Agency for the Public Health Programme' into the 'Executive Agency for Health and Consumers'**

(2008/544/EC)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 of 19 December 2002 laying down the statute for executive agencies to be entrusted with certain tasks in the management of Community programmes <sup>(1)</sup>,

Whereas:

(1) The Executive Agency for the Public Health Programme (hereinafter referred to as the PHEA) was set up by Commission Decision 2004/858/EC <sup>(2)</sup>, to manage the programme of Community action in the field of public health (hereinafter referred to as the Public Health Programme 2003-2008) adopted by Decision No 1786/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(3)</sup>. Decision 2004/858/EC provides for the PHEA to carry out its functions until 31 December 2010 in order to execute contracts and grants signed under the Public Health Programme 2003-2008.

(2) Decision No 1350/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2007 establishing a second programme of Community action in the field of health (2008 to 2013) <sup>(4)</sup> (hereinafter referred to as the second Public Health Programme 2008-2013) entered into force on 21 November 2007. The second Public Health Programme is designed to continue Community action in the field of public health by focusing along three broad objectives: to improve citizens' health security; to promote health to improve prosperity and solidarity; and to generate and disseminate health knowledge.

(3) The programme of Community action in the field of Consumer policy for 2007-2013, adopted by the European Parliament and the Council on 18 December 2006 <sup>(5)</sup> (hereinafter referred to as the Consumer programme for 2007-2013), establishes the general framework for financing Community actions in support of Consumer policy for the years 2007 to 2013. The aim of the Programme is to complement, support and monitor the policies of the Member States and to contribute to protecting the health, safety and economic and legal interests of consumers as well as to promoting their rights to information, to education and to organise themselves in order to safeguard their interests.

(4) Article 51 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules <sup>(6)</sup> allows the Commission to organise training courses for the staff of the competent authorities of Member States and for participants from third countries, including developing countries. The areas covered by such training are food law and feed law, animal health and animal welfare requirements. In addition, Article 2(1)(i) of Council Directive 2000/29/EC of 8 May 2000 on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community <sup>(7)</sup>, offers a legal basis for training in the plant health sector so that the training activities organised by the Commission constitute an overall Community training strategy in the areas of food law, feed law, animal health and animal welfare rules, as well as plant health rules (hereinafter referred to as the food safety training measures covered by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 and Directive 2000/29/EC).

(5) A cost-benefit analysis carried out by external consultants has shown that continuing to entrust programme implementation tasks related to the second Public Health Programme 2008-2013 to the existing PHEA would be the most cost-effective option.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 11, 16.1.2003, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 369, 16.12.2004, p. 73.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 271, 9.10.2002, p. 1. Decision as last amended by Decision No 786/2004/EC (OJ L 138, 30.4.2004, p. 7).

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 301, 20.11.2007, p. 3.

<sup>(5)</sup> Decision No 1926/2006/EC of the European Parliament and the Council (OJ L 404, 30.12.2006, p. 39).

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 301/2008 (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 85).

<sup>(7)</sup> OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p. 1. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/41/EC (OJ L 169, 29.6.2007, p. 51).

- (6) Cost-benefit analysis also showed that programme implementation tasks related to the Consumer programme for 2007-2013 as well as to the food safety training measures covered by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 and Directive 2000/29/EC could be carried out more efficiently by the existing PHEA, whilst ensuring the overall management by the Commission of those Community programmes and measures.
- (7) In order to reflect its additional tasks, the PHEA should be transformed into the Executive Agency for Health and Consumers.
- (8) Decision 2004/858/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (9) The provisions set out by this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for Executive Agencies,

the food safety training measures covered by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 and Directive 2000/29/EC:

- (a) managing the phases in the lifetime of specific projects to be defined by the Commission in the instrument of delegation within the meaning of Article 6(3) of Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 in the context of implementing the above referred Community programmes and measures, as well as the necessary checks to that end, by taking the relevant decisions where the Commission has empowered it to do so;
- (b) adopting the instruments of budget implementation for revenue and expenditure and carrying out, where the Commission has empowered it to do so, all the operations necessary to implement the above referred Community programmes and measures and, in particular, those linked to the award of contracts and grants;
- (c) gathering, analysing and transmitting to the Commission all the information needed to guide and evaluate the implementation of the above referred Community programmes and measures.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### *Article 1*

Decision 2004/858/EC is amended as follows:

- 1. In Article 1, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. The name of the Agency shall be the “Executive Agency for Health and Consumers.”’

- 2. Article 3 is replaced by the following:

‘Article 3

#### **Duration**

The Agency shall carry out its tasks from 1 January 2005 until 31 December 2015.’

- 3. Article 4 is replaced by the following:

‘Article 4

#### **Objectives and tasks**

- 1. The Agency shall be responsible for carrying out the following implementation tasks for the management of the second Public Health Programme 2008-2013 as adopted by Decision No 1350/2007/EC, the Consumer programme for 2007-2013 as adopted by Decision No 1926/2006/EC and

2. The Agency shall also manage all the phases in the lifetime of the implementing measures delegated to it in the framework of the programme of Community action in the field of public health 2003-2008, adopted by Decision No 1786/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2002.

3. The Commission decision delegating authority to the Agency shall set out in detail all the tasks entrusted to it. The Commission decision will be transmitted, for information, to the committee established by Article 24 of Regulation (EC) No 58/2003.’

- 4. Article 6 is replaced by the following:

‘Article 6

#### **Grants**

The Agency shall receive subsidies which shall be entered in the general budget of the European Communities from the funds allocated to the second Public Health Programme 2008-2013 as adopted by Decision No 1350/2007/EC, the Consumer programme for 2007-2013 as adopted by Decision No 1926/2006/EC and the food safety training measures covered by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 and Directive 2000/29/EC.’

*Article 2*

All references to the 'Executive Agency for the Public Health Programme' shall be interpreted as references to the 'Executive Agency for Health and Consumers'.

Done at Brussels, 20 June 2008.

*For the Commission*  
Androulla VASSILIOU  
*Member of the Commission*

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## III

(Acts adopted under the EU Treaty)

## ACTS ADOPTED UNDER TITLE V OF THE EU TREATY

## POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION EUPT/1/2008

of 6 June 2008

**amending Decision EUPT/2/2007 appointing the Head of the European Union Planning Team  
(EUP T Kosovo)**

(2008/545/CFSP)

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and in particular the third subparagraph of Article 25 thereof,

Having regard to Council Joint Action 2006/304/CFSP of 10 April 2006 on the establishment of an EU Planning Team (EUP T Kosovo) regarding a possible EU crisis management operation in the field of rule of law and possible other areas in Kosovo <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Having regard to Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 4 February 2008 on the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo, EULEX KOSOVO, and in particular Articles 4(3) and 5(2) thereof <sup>(2)</sup>,

Whereas:

- (1) By Decision EUPT/2/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) decided to appoint Roy REEVE as the Head of the EU Planning Team (EUP T Kosovo) regarding a possible EU crisis management operation in the field of rule of law and possible other areas in Kosovo, with effect as from 1 January 2008.

- (2) Article 6 of Joint Action 2006/304/CFSP provides for the Council to authorise the PSC to take the relevant decisions in accordance with Article 25 of the Treaty, including the decision to appoint, upon a proposal by the Secretary-General/High Representative, a Head of the EU Planning Team (EUP T Kosovo),

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Sole Article*

The second paragraph of Article 2 of Political and Security Committee Decision EUPT/2/2007 shall be deleted.

Done at Brussels, 6 June 2008.

*For the Political and Security Committee*  
*The President*  
M. IPAVIC

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 112, 26.4.2006, p. 19. Joint Action as last amended by Joint Action 2008/228/CFSP (OJ L 75, 18.3.2008, p. 78).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 42, 16.2.2008, p. 92.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 346, 29.12.2007, p. 29.

**CORRIGENDA****Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EC) No 554/2008 of 17 June 2008 concerning the authorisation of 6-phytase (Quantum Phytase) as a feed additive***(Official Journal of the European Union L 158 of 18 June 2008)*

On page 16, Annex, Table, column 'Name of the holder of authorisation':

*for:* 'AB Enzyme GmbH',

*read:* 'AB Enzymes GmbH'.

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