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(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 3023/95

of 22 December 1995

amending Regulation (EC) No 2878/94 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products (first series 1995)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 28 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas production in the Community of certain industrial products will remain in the course of 1995 unable to meet the specific requirements of the user industries in the Community; whereas, consequently, Community supplies of products of this type will depend to a considerable extent on imports from third countries; whereas the most urgent Community requirements for the products in question should be met immediately on the most favourable terms;

Whereas by Regulation (EC) No 2878/94 [1] the Council opened, for 1995, Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products, and in particular ferro-chromium containing by weight more than 6 % of carbon (Order No 09.2711), and ferro-chromium containing more than 1,5 % but no more than 4 % by weight of carbon and not more than 70 % of chromium (Order No 09.2799);

Whereas by Regulation (EC) No 1404/95 [2], the Council increased for 1995 Community tariff quotas for ferro-chromium containing by weight more than 6 % of carbon (Order No 09.2711);

Whereas current economic data suggest that the Community demand for non-Community imports of the products in question could in the course of the year exceed the volumes laid down in the above Regulations; whereas the volumes of the quotas in question should therefore be increased;

Whereas it is necessary, in particular, to ensure for all Community importers equal uninterrupted access to the said quotas and to ensure the uninterrupted application of the rate laid down for the quotas to all imports of the products concerned into all Member States until the quotas have been used up;

Whereas the decision for the opening of autonomous tariff quotas should be taken by the Community; whereas, to ensure the efficiency of a common administration of these quotas, there is no reasonable obstacle to authorizing Member States to draw from the quota-volumes the necessary quantities corresponding to actual imports; whereas, however, this method of administration requires close cooperation between the Member States and the Commission and the latter must in particular be able to monitor the rate at which the quotas are used up and inform the Member States accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Regulation (EC) No 2878/94 the table shown in Article 1 shall be replaced, for Order Nos 09.2711 and 09.2799, by the following table:

[1] OJ No L 304, 29. 11. 1994, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1404/95 (OJ No L 140, 23. 6. 1995, p. 1).
[2] OJ No L 140, 23. 6. 1995, p. 1.

Order No	CN code	Taric code	Description	Amount of quota	Quota duty %	End of quota period
09.2711	7202 41 91 7202 41 99		Ferro-chromium containing by weight more than 6 % of carbon	850 000 tonnes	0	31. 12. 1995
09.2799	ex 7202 49 90	*10	Ferro-chromium containing by weight 1,5 % or more but not more than 4 % of carbon and not more than 70 % of chromium	24 000 tonnes	0	31. 12. 1995

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 January 1995.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 December 1995.

For the Council

The President

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