COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2631/1999

of 13 December 1999

amending Regulation (EC) No 2508/97 as regards the detailed rules for the application to milk and milk products of the schemes provided for in the Europe Agreement between the Community and the Republic of Lithuania

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 98/677/EC of 18 May 1998 on the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Lithuania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union and the outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations on agriculture, including improvements to the existing preferential arrangements [1], and in particular Article 2(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2508/97 [2], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1643/1999 [3], lays down, *inter alia*, the detailed rules for the application to milk and milk products of the schemes provided for in the Europe Agreement between the Community and the Republic of Lithuania. Because of the conclusion of the Protocol referred to in Decision 98/667/EC, which replaces the combined nomenclature code applying to cheeses originating in Lithuania, the Annex to the Regulation must be amended with effect from the next application period for import licences.

(2) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I, part I (Lithuania), of Regulation (EC) No 2508/97 is replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 13 December 1999.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 321, 30.11.1998, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 345, 16.12.1997, p. 31.
[3] OJ L 195, 28.7.1999, p. 5.

ANNEX

'I. **Products originating in Lithuania**

Serial No	CN code	Description (1)	Applicable rate of duty (% of MFN duty)	Annual quantity (tonnes)			
				from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000	from 1.7.2000
09.4554	0402 10 19 0402 21 19	Skimmed-milk powder Whole milk powder	20	3 850	4 025	4 200	4 375
09.4567	0402 99 11	Milk or cream, condensed, with added sugar	20	240	260	280	300
09.4556	0405 10 11 0405 10 19	Butter	20	1 320	1 380	1 440	1 500
09.4557	0406 90	Cheeses	20	1 540	1 610	1 680	1 750'