COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2475/2000

of 7 November 2000

establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with Slovenia

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) The Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Slovenia, of the other part [1], provides for certain concessions for certain agricultural products originating in Slovenia.

(2) In accordance with the directives adopted by the Council on 30 March 1999, the Commission and Slovenia concluded on 22 May 2000 negotiations on an Additional Protocol to the Europe Agreement.

(3) The Additional Protocol, which provides for additional agricultural concessions, will be based on Article 21(5) of the Europe Agreement, establishing that the Community and Slovenia are to examine in the Association Council, product by product and on an orderly and reciprocal basis, the possibility of granting each other further concessions.

(4) A swift implementation of the adjustments forms an essential part of the results of the negotiations for the conclusion of an Additional Protocol to the Europe Agreement with Slovenia.

(5) It is therefore appropriate to provide for the adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of the agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with Slovenia.

(6) Slovenia will take all useful legislative provisions, on an autonomous and transitional basis, in order to enable a rapid and simultaneous implementation of the adaptation of the agricultural concessions of Slovenia provided for in the Europe Agreement.

(7) The measures necessary for the implementation of this Regulation should be in accordance with Council Decision 1999/468/EC of 28 June 1999 laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission [2].

(8) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2454/93 of 2 July 1993 laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code [3] codified the management rules for tariff quotas designed to be used following the chronological order of dates of customs declarations,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The arrangements for import into the Community applicable to certain agricultural products originating in Slovenia as set out in Annex A(a) and A(b) to this Regulation shall replace those set out in Annex VI to the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Slovenia, of the other part.

2. On the entry into force of the Additional Protocol adjusting the Europe Agreement referred to in paragraph 1, the concessions provided for in that Protocol shall replace those referred to in Annex A(a) and A(b) to this Regulation.

3. The Commission shall adopt detailed rules for the application of this Regulation in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 3(2).

Article 2

1. Tariff quotas with an order number below 09.4000 shall be administered by the Commission in accordance with Articles 308a, 308b and 308c of Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93.

2. Quantities of goods which have been released for free circulation in the Community from 1 January 2000 until 30 June 2000 with the benefit of a preferential duty rate provided for in Annex VI of the Europe Agreement, in the framework of the tariff quotas with order numbers 09.1532, 09.1533, 09.1534, 09.1535, 09.1537, 09.1541, 09.1542, 09.1543, 09.1544, 09.4082, 09.4083, 09.4084, 09.4086, 09.4087, 09.4088, 09.4089 and 09.4090 shall be fully taken into account for charging against the tariff quotas with the same order numbers provided for in Annex A(b) to this Regulation.

[1] OJ L 51, 26.2.1999, p. 3.

[2] OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

[3] OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1662/1999 (OJ L 197, 29.7.1999, p. 25).

Article 3

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the committee instituted by Article 23 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1766/92 of 30 June 1992 on the common organisation of the market of cereals [1] or, where appropriate, the committee instituted by the relevant provisions of the other Regulations on the common organisation of agricultural markets.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the procedure laid down in Articles 4 and 7 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply.

The period laid down in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be set at one month.

3. The Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.

Article 4

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

It shall apply from 1 July 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 7 November 2000.

For the Council

The President

L. FABIUS

[1] OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1666/2000 (OJ L 193, 29.7.2000, p. 1).

ANNEX A(a)

Custom duties on imports applicable in the Community to products originating in Slovenia and listed below shall be abolished

CN code (1)	CN code (1)	CN code (1)	CN code (1)	CN code (1)
0101 20 10	0603 90 00	0811 90 70	1212 10 99	1514 10 10
0104 20 10	0604 10 90	0811 90 85	1214 90 10	1514 10 90
0106 00 10	0604 91 21	0812 10 00	1302 12 00	1514 90 10
0106 00 20	0604 91 29	0812 90 40	1302 13 00	1515 11 00
0205 00 11	0604 91 41	0812 90 60	1302 19 05	1515 19 10
0205 00 19	0604 91 49	0812 90 70	1502 00 90	1515 19 90
0205 00 90	0604 91 90	0812 90 95	1503 00 19	1515 21 10
0206 80 91	0604 99 90	0813 10 00	1503 00 90	1515 21 90
0206 90 91	0701 10 00	0813 30 00	1504 10 10	1515 29 10
0207 13 91	0703 10 11	0813 40 10	1504 10 99	1515 29 90
0207 14 91	0709 51 30	0813 40 95	1504 20 10	1515 30 90
0207 26 91	0709 51 50	0813 50 15	1504 30 10	1515 50 11
0207 27 91	0709 51 90	0813 50 19	1507 10 10	1515 50 19
0207 35 91	0709 90 40	0813 50 39	1507 10 90	1515 50 91
0207 36 89	0711 30 00	0813 50 91	1507 90 10	1515 50 99
0208 10 11	0712 30 00	0813 50 99	1508 10 90	1515 90 29
0208 10 19	0713 50 00	0814 00 00	1508 90 10	1515 90 39
0208 20 00	0713 90 10	0901 12 00	1508 90 90	1515 90 40
0208 90 10	0713 90 90	0902 10 00	1511 10 90	1515 90 51
0208 90 50	0714 20 10	0904 12 00	1511 90 11	1515 90 59
0208 90 60	0714 20 90	0904 20 10	1511 90 19	1515 90 60
0208 90 80	0714 90 90	0904 20 90	1511 90 91	1515 90 91
0210 90 10	0802 11 90	0905 00 00	1511 90 99	1515 90 99
0210 90 79	0802 12 90	0907 00 00	1512 11 10	1516 20 95
0407 00 90	0802 21 00	0910 20 90	1512 11 91	1516 20 96
0410 00 00	0802 22 00	0910 40 13	1512 11 99	1516 20 98
0601 10 10	0802 31 00	0910 40 19	1512 19 10	1518 00 31
0601 10 20	0802 32 00	0910 40 90	1512 21 10	1518 00 39
0601 10 30	0802 40 00	0910 91 90	1512 21 90	1518 00 91
0601 10 40	0802 50 00	0910 99 99	1512 29 10	1518 00 95
0601 10 90	0802 90 50	1006 10 10	1512 29 90	1518 00 99
0601 20 30	0802 90 60	1007 00 10	1513 11 10	1522 00 91
0601 20 90	0802 90 85	1208 10 00	1513 11 99	2001 90 20
0602 10 90	0804 20 10	1209 19 00	1513 19 19	2005 90 75
0602 20 90	0804 20 90	1209 23 80	1513 19 30	2008 19 11
0602 30 00	0806 20 11	1209 29 50	1513 19 91	2008 19 13
0602 40 10	0806 20 12	1209 29 80	1513 19 99	2008 19 51
0602 40 90	0806 20 91	1209 30 00	1513 21 11	2008 19 59
0602 90 10	0806 20 98	1209 91 10	1513 21 19	2008 92 72
0602 90 30	0807 11 00	1209 91 90	1513 21 30	2302 50 00
0602 90 45	0807 19 00	1209 99 91	1513 21 90	2306 90 19
0602 90 51	0808 20 90	1209 99 99	1513 29 11	2308 90 90
0602 90 59	0810 40 30	1210 10 00	1513 29 19	2309 90 51
0602 90 70	0810 40 50	1210 20 10	1513 29 30	2309 90 93
0602 90 91	0810 40 90	1210 20 90	1513 29 50	2309 90 95
0602 90 99	0810 50 00	1211 90 30	1513 29 91	
0603 10 80	0810 90 85	1212 10 10	1513 29 99	

(1) As defined in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2204/1999 of 12 October 1999 amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (OJ L 278, 28.10.1999, p. 1).

ANNEX Ab

Imports into the Community of the following products originating in Slovenia shall be subject to the concessions set out below

(MFN = Most Favoured Nation duty)

Order No	CN code	Description (1)	Applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	Annual quantity for 2000 (tonnes)	Annual quantity for 2000 (tonnes)	Annual quantity for successive years (tonnes)	Specific provisions
	0101 19 90	Live horses, other than for slaughter	67	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	
09.4082		Meat of bovine animals, fresh, chilled or frozen:	20	9 100	9 800	10 500	
	ex 0201 10 00	Carcases and half-carcases, other than high quality beef and veal					
	0201 20 20	Compensated quarters					
	0201 20 30	Forequarters, unseparated/separated					
	0201 20 50	Hindquarters, unseparated/separated					
	0201 30	Boneless					
09.4083	0207 11	Poultry not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled (*Gallus domesticus*)	20	1 560	1 680	1 800	
	0207 12	Poultry not cut in pieces, frozen (*Gallus domesticus*)					
09.4111	0207 13 10	Fresh or chilled boneless cuts of fowls of the species *Gallus domesticus*	free	250	500	500	(5)
09.4112	0207 14 10	Frozen boneless cuts of fowls of the species *Gallus domesticus*	free	250	500	500	(5)
09.4084	0207 13 20 0207 13 30 0207 13 40 0207 13 50 0207 13 60 0207 13 70	Poultry cuts with bone in and offal, fresh or chilled (*Gallus domesticus*)	20	1 300	1 400	1 500	(3)
	0207 14 20 0207 14 30 0207 14 40 0207 14 50 0207 14 60 0207 14 70	Poultry cuts with bone in and offal (other than liver), frozen (*Gallus domesticus*)					
09.4113	0210 11 31	Domestic swine hams and cuts thereof, with bone in, dried or smoked	free	200	400	400	(5)
09.4114	0210 19 81	Dried or smoked boneless domestic swine meat	free	75	150	150	(5)
09.4086	0402 10	Skimmed milk powder	20	1 300	1 400	1 500	
	0402 21	Whole milk powder					

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09.4087	0403 10	Yogurts	20	650	700	750	
09.4088	0406 90	Cheese (Emmentaler, Edamer, Gouda, Sbrinz-type)	20	390	420	450	
09.4115	0407 00 19	Eggs and poultry in shell, for hatching	free	100	200	200	(3)
09.4116	0407 00 30	Eggs of poultry in shell, not for hatching	free	68	135	135	(3)
09.4117	0408 19 81	Egg yolks, liquid	free	225	450	450	(3)
09.4118	0408 19 89	Egg yolks, other than liquid (including frozen)	free	75	150	150	(3)
09.4119	0408 99 80	Birds' eggs, not in shell, other	free	75	150	150	(3)
	0409 00 00	Natural honey	93	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	
09.1532	0701 90 10 0701 90 50	Potatoes, fresh or chilled, other than seed potatoes	20	195	210	225	
09.1731	0701 90 90	Potatoes, fresh or chilled, other than seed potatoes, other	free	2 500	5 000	5 000	(3)
09.1533	0704 90	Cabbages and cauliflowers, other	20	130	140	150	
09.1534	0705 11 00	Cabbage lettuce	20	130	140	150	
09.1535	0706 10 00	Carrots and turrnips	20	1 040	1 120	1 200	
	ex 0707 00 05 ex 0711 40 00	Cucumbers, fresh or chilled (from 16 May to 31 October) Cucumbers	80	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	(4)
09.1732	0808 10	Apples, fresh	free	5 000	10 000	10 000	(4) (5)
09.1537	ex 0808 20 50	Pears, from 1 August to 31 December	20	2 210	2 380	2 550	(4)
09.4089	ex 1601 00 91 ex 1601 00 99	Sausages and similar products, of meat, offal or blood; other than of poultry	20	130	140	150	
09.4120	ex 1601 00	Sausages and similar products, of meat, offal or blood; of poultry	free	500	1 000	1 000	(3)
09.4090	1602 32 19 1602 39 29	Prepared or preserved meat of poultry	20	1 560	1 680	1 800	
	ex 2001 10 00	Cucumbers	free	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	

Order No	CN code	Description (1)	Applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	Annual quantity for 2000 (tonnes)	Annual quantity for 2000 (tonnes)	Annual quantity for successive years (tonnes)	Specific provisions
09.1733	2002	Tomatoes, prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid	free	1 350	2 700	2 700	(5)
09.1541	ex 2004 90 30	Sauerkraut, frozen	free	65	70	75	
	ex 2004 90 98 ex 2005 90 70	Ajvar, frozen Ajvar, not frozen	free	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	
09.1542	 ex 2008 60 39 2008 60 51 2008 60 61 2008 60 71 2008 60 91	Prepared cherries containing added spirit: Sweet cherries for chocolate products Sour cherries	free	650	700	750	
	2009 70 30 2009 70 93 2009 70 99	Apple juice	50	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	
09.1543	2009 80 71	Cherry juice	20	195	210	225	
09.1544	2009 90 11 2009 90 19 2009 90 31 2009 90 39	Mixture of juices	20	260	280	300	

(1) Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the Combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the preferential scheme is to be determined by application to the CN code and corresponding description taken together.

(2) In cases where a MFN minimum duty exists, the applicable minimum duty is equal to the MFN minimum duty multiplied by the percentage indicated in this column.

(3) Carcase weight.

(4) The reduction applies only to the ad valorem part of the duty.

(5) For year 2000 the concession applies from 1 July 2000 on.