COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2779/2000

of 18 December 2000

laying down detailed rules for the application in the year 2001 of the tariff quotas for beef and veal products provided for in Council Regulation (EC) No 2007/2000

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2007/2000 of 18 September 2000 introducing exceptional trade measures for countries and territories participating in or linked to the European Union's Stabilisation and Association process, amending Regulation (EC) No 2820/98, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1763/1999 and (EC) No 6/2000 [1], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2563/2000 [2], and in particular Articles 4(2) and 6 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal [3], and in particular Article 32(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2007/2000 provides for an annual preferential import quota of 'baby beef' of 22 525 tonnes, distributed among four countries of the Balkans.

(2) Imports under that quota are subject to the presentation of an authenticity certificate attesting that the goods are originating from the issuing country and that they correspond exactly to the definition in Annex II to the aforementioned Regulation. It is therefore necessary to establish a model for those certificates and lay down detailed rules for their use.

(3) The arrangements set out in Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 2007/2000 should be managed through the use of import licences. To this end, the provisions of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1291/2000 of 9 June 2000 laying down common detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences and advance-fixing certificates for agricultural products [4], and of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/95 of 26 June 1995 on rules of application for import and export licences in the beef and veal sector and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2377/80 [5], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1659/2000 [6], are applicable subject to the provisions of this Regulation.

(4) In order to ensure proper management of the imports of the products in question, provision should be made for import licences to be issued subject to verification, in particular of entries on certificates of authenticity.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The following tariff quotas are hereby opened for the period 1 January to 31 December 2001:

— 9 400 tonnes of 'baby beef', expressed in carcase weight, originating in and coming from Croatia,

— 1 500 tonnes of 'baby beef', expressed in carcase weight, originating in and coming from Bosnia and Herzegovina,

— 1 650 tonnes of 'baby beef', expressed in carcase weight, originating in and coming from the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia,

— 9 975 tonnes of 'baby beef', expressed in carcase weight, originating in and coming from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia including Kosovo.

The four quotas referred to in the first subparagraph shall bear the serial Nos 09.4503, 09.4504, 09.4505 and 09.4506 respectively.

For the purposes of attributing the said quotas, 100 kilograms live weight shall be equivalent to 50 kilograms carcase weight.

2. The customs duty applicable under the quotas referred to in paragraph 1 shall be 20 % of the *ad valorem* duty and 20 % of the specific duty as laid down in the Common Customs Tariff.

3. Importation under the quotas referred to in paragraph 1 shall be reserved for certain live animals and certain meat falling within CN codes:

— ex 0102 90 51, ex 0102 90 59, ex 0102 90 71 and ex 0102 90 79,

— ex 0201 10 00 and ex 0201 20 20,

— ex 0201 20 30,

— ex 0201 20 50,

referred to in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2007/2000.

Article 2

Imports of the quantities set out in Article 1 shall be subject to presentation, on release for free circulation, of an import licence issued in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) Section 8 of the licence applications and of the licences themselves must show the country of origin; licences shall carry with them an obligation to import from the country indicated;

[1] OJ L 240, 23.9.2000, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 295, 23.11.2000, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.
[4] OJ L 152, 24.6.2000, p. 1.
[5] OJ L 143, 27.6.1995, p. 35.
[6] OJ L 192, 28.7.2000, p. 19.

(b) Section 20 of the licence application and of the licence itself shall show one of the following endorsements:

— «Baby beef» [Reglamento (CE) nº 2779/2000]

— »Baby beef« (forordning (EF) nr. 2779/2000)

— „Baby beef“ [Verordnung (EG) Nr. 2779/2000]

— «Baby beef» [Κανονισμός (ΕΚ) αριθ. 2779/2000]

— 'Baby beef' (Regulation (EC) No 2779/2000)

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— «Baby beef» [Regulamento (CE) n.º 2779/2000]

— "Baby beef" (asetus (EY) N:o 2779/2000)

— "Baby beef" (förordning (EG) nr 2779/2000);

(c) the original of the certificate of authenticity drawn up in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 plus a copy thereof shall be presented to the competent authority together with the application for the first import licence relating to the certificate of authenticity.

The original of the certificate of authenticity shall be kept by the abovementioned authority;

(d) certificates of authenticity may be used for the issuing of more than one import licence for quantities not exceeding that shown on the certificate. Where more than one licence is issued in respect of a certificate, the competent authority shall endorse the certificate of authenticity to show the quantity attributed;

(e) the competent authorities may issue import licences only after they are satisfied that all the information on the certificate of authenticity corresponds to that received each week from the Commission on the subject. The licences shall be issued immediately thereafter.

Article 3

1. The certificates of authenticity referred to in Article 2 shall be made out in one original and two copies, to be printed and completed in one of the official languages of the European Community, in accordance with the model in Annexes I, II, III and IV respectively for the four exporting countries concerned; they may also be printed and completed in the official language or one of the official languages of the exporting country.

The competent authorities of the Member State in which the import licence application is submitted may require a translation of the certificate to be provided.

2. The original and copies thereof may be typed or handwritten. In the latter case, they must be completed in black ink and block capitals.

3. The certificate forms shall measure 210 × 297 mm. The paper used shall weigh not less than 40 g/m². The original shall be white, the first copy pink and the second copy yellow.

4. Each certificate shall have its own individual serial number followed by the name of the issuing country.

The copies shall bear the same serial number and the same name as the original.

5. Certificates shall be valid only if they are duly endorsed by an issuing authority listed in Annex V.

6. Certificates shall be deemed to have been duly endorsed if they state the date and place of issue and if they bear the stamp of the issuing authority and the signature of the person or persons empowered to sign them.

Article 4

1. Each issuing authority listed in Annex V must:

(a) be recognised as such by the exporting country concerned;

(b) undertake to verify entries on the certificates;

(c) undertake to forward to the Commission at least once per week any information enabling the entries on the certificates of authenticity to be verified, in particular with regard to the number of the certificate, the exporter, the consignee, the country of destination, the product (live animals/meat), the net weight and the date of signature.

2. The list in Annex V may be revised by the Commission where the requirement referred to in paragraph 1(a) is no longer met or where an issuing authority fails to fulfil one or more of the obligations incumbent on it.

Article 5

Certificates of authenticity and import licences shall be valid for three months from their respective dates of issue. However, their term of validity shall expire on 31 December 2001.

Article 6

The authorities of the exporting countries concerned shall communicate to the Commission specimens of the stamp imprints used by their issuing authorities and the names and signatures of the persons empowered to sign certificates of authenticity. The Commission shall communicate this information to the competent authorities of the Member States.

Article 7

Save as otherwise provided in this Regulation, Regulations (EC) No 1291/2000 and (EC) No 1445/95 shall apply to importing operations under the quotas referred to in Article 1.

Article 8

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 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 18 December 2000.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

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<tr><td>1. Consignor (full name and address)</td><td colspan="3">CERTIFICATE No 0000
ORIGINAL
CROATIA</td></tr>
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for exports to the European Community of bovine animals and meat of bovine animals
(application of Regulation (EC) No …/…)</td></tr>
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ANNEX V

Issuing authorities:

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— Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina:
— Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia:
— Federal Republic of Yugoslavia: