COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2875/2000

of 28 December 2000

opening a tariff quota for the import of certain goods originating in Iceland resulting from the processing of agricultural products covered by the Annex to Council Regulation (EC) No 3448/93

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 3448/93 of 6 December 1993 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products [1], as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2580/2000 [2], in particular Article 7(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 1999/492/EC of 21 June 1999 on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Iceland, of the other part, concerning Protocol No 2 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland [3], in particular Article 2 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EEC) 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 [4], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2787/2000 [5], consolidated the arrangements for managing the tariff quotas to be used in chronological order of the dates of acceptance of the declarations for release of free circulation.

(2) It is necessary to open, for 2001, the quota provided for in paragraph 3 of point III of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Iceland, of the other part, concerning Protocol No 2 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the the Republic of Iceland.

(3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for horizontal questions concerning trade in processed products not listed in Annex I,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

From 1 January to 31 December 2001, the goods from Iceland which are listed in the Annex to this Regulation shall be subject to the duties recorded in that Annex within the limits of the annual quota indicated therein.

Article 2

The Community tariff quota referred to in Article 1 shall be managed by the Commission in accordance with the provisions of Article 308a to 308c of Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93.

Article 3

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

It shall be applicable from 5 January 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 28 December 2000.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 318, 20.12.1993, p. 18.
[2] OJ L 298, 25.11.2000, p. 5.
[3] OJ L 192, 24.7.1999, p. 47.
[4] OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 1.
[5] OJ L 330, 27.12.2000, p. 1.

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	Description	Quota	Rate of duty applicable
09.0799	1704 90 10 1704 90 30 1704 90 51 1704 90 55 1704 90 61 1704 90 65 1704 90 71 1704 90 75 1704 90 81 1704 90 99	Sugar confectionery (including white chocolate), not containing cocoa, falling within CN code 1704 90	500 tonnes	50 % of the rate of duty for third countries (1) with a maximum of EUR 35,15/100 kg
	1806 32 10 1806 32 90 1806 90 11 1806 90 19 1806 90 31 1806 90 39 1806 90 50 1806 90 60 1806 90 70 1806 90 90	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa falling within CN codes 1806 32 and 1806 90		
	1905 30 11 1905 30 19 1905 30 30 1905 30 51 1905 30 59 1905 30 91 1905 30 99	Sweet biscuits, waffles and wafers		

(1) Rate of duty for third countries: Rate consisting of the *ad valorem* duty plus, where appropriate, the agricultural element, limited to the maximum rate where provided for in the Common Customs Tariff.