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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 26 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) Community supplies of certain fishery products currently depend on imports from third countries. It is therefore in the Community's interest to suspend in part or in whole the customs duties for the products in question, in order not to jeopardise the development prospects of the fish production in the Community and to ensure an adequate supply to satisfy user industries. Council Regulation (EC) No 2803/2000 of 14 December 2000 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain fishery products [1] has therefore suspended tariff quota for certain fishery products for a certain period.

(2) The Commission has researched the markets and supply needs of user industries for 2003. Having regard to the requirements of the internal and external policies of the Community, certain new tariff quotas for the products in question should be opened and certain existing quotas should be increased to ensure continuation of Community production.

(3) Regulation (EC) No 2803/2000 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EC) No 2803/2000 shall be amended as follows:

1. the tariff quotas listed in the Annex to this Regulation for the goods and quota periods set out in that Annex shall be added;
2. for the quota period from 1 January to 31 December 2003:
   (a) the quota amount of the tariff quota 09.2785 shall be fixed at 20 000 tonnes;
   (b) the quota amount of the tariff quota 09.2786 shall be fixed at 1 500 tonnes;
   (c) the quota amount of the tariff quota 09.2794 shall be fixed at 7 000 tonnes.

Article 2

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

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

[1] OJ L 331, 27.12.2000, p. 61.

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	TARIC code	Description	Amount of quota (in tonnes)	Quota duty (%)	Quota period
09.2759	ex 0302 50 10 ex 0302 50 90 ex 0303 60 11 ex 0303 60 19 ex 0303 60 90	20 10 10 10 10	Cod (*Gadus morhua*, *Gadus ogac*, *Gadus macrocephalus*), excluding livers and roes, fresh, chilled or frozen, for processing [a] [b]	50 000	0	►C1 13.10.2003 — 31.12.2003 ◄
09.2760	►C1 ex 0303 78 11 ◄ ►C1 ex 0303 78 12 ◄ ►C1 ex 0303 78 13 ◄ ►C1 ex 0303 78 19 ◄ ►C1 ex 0303 78 90 ◄	►C1 10 ◄ ►C1 10 ◄ ►C1 10 ◄ ►C1 11 81 ◄ ►C1 10 ◄	Hake (*Merluccius* spp. excluding *Merluccius merluccius*, *Urophycis* spp.), frozen, for processing [a] [b]	20 000	0	►C1 13.10.2003 — 31.12.2003 ◄
09.2761	ex 0304 20 91 ►C1 ex 0304 20 95 ◄ ►C1 ex 0304 90 97 ◄	10 ►C1 41 81 ◄ ►C1 60 86 ◄	Blue grenadier (*Macruronus* spp.), frozen fillets and other meat, for processing [a] [b]	15 000	0	►C1 13.10.2003 — 31.12.2003 ◄
09.2762	ex 0306 11 10 ►C1 ex 0306 11 90 ◄	10 ►C1 10 ◄	Rock lobster (*Palinurus* spp., *Panulirus* spp., *Jasus* spp.), frozen, for processing [a] [b]	1 500	6	►C1 13.10.2003 — 31.12.2003 ◄

[a] Control of the use for this special purpose shall be carried out pursuant to the relevant Community provisions.
[b] This quota is available for products intended to undergo any operation, unless it is solely for one or more of the following operations:

— cleaning, gutting, tailing, heading,
— cutting (excluding dicing, filleting, production of flaps or cutting of frozen blocks or splitting of frozen interleaved fillet blocks),
— sampling, sorting,
— labelling,
— packing,
— chilling,
— freezing,
— deep freezing,
— thawing, separation.

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The quota is not available for products intended, in addition, to undergo treatment (or operations) which gives quota entitlement, where such treatment (or operations) is (are) carried out at retail or catering level. The reduction of customs duties shall apply only to fish intended for human consumption.