COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 649/2003

of 10 April 2003

amending Regulations (EEC) No 139/81, (EC) No 936/97 and (EC) No 996/97 as regards imports of beef and veal products

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1254/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal [1], as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2345/2001 [2],

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 139/81 of 16 January 1981 defining the conditions for the admission of certain kinds of frozen beef and veal to subheading 0202 30 50 of the Combined Nomenclature [3], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 264/1999 [4], and in particular Article 5(2) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 936/97 of 27 May 1997 opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas for high-quality fresh, chilled and frozen beef and for frozen buffalo meat [5], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1781/2002 [6], and in particular Article 7(2) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 996/97 of 3 June 1997 on the opening and administration of an import tariff quota for frozen thin skirt of bovine animals falling within CN code 0206 29 91 [7], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1266/98 [8], and in particular Article 6(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Under Regulations (EEC) No 139/81, (EC) No 936/97 and (EC) No 996/97 certificates of authenticity must be issued before certain goods may be imported or admitted in specific subheadings of the Combined Nomenclature. The lists of issuing authorities for these certificates are annexed to those Regulations.

(2) Argentina has changed the name of the issuing authority for certificates of authenticity.

(3) Regulations (EEC) No 139/81, (EC) No 936/97 and (EC) No 996/97 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 139/81 is replaced by the text in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

In Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 936/97, the issuing authority name 'Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentación (SAGPyA)' is replaced by 'Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentos (SAGPyA)'.

Article 3

In Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 996/97, the issuing authority name 'Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentación (SAGPyA)' is replaced by 'Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentos (SAGPyA)'.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following 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.

Done at Brussels, 10 April 2003.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 21.
[2] OJ L 315, 1.12.2001, p. 29.
[3] OJ L 15, 17.1.1981, p. 4.
[4] OJ L 32, 5.2.1999, p. 3.
[5] OJ L 137, 28.5.1997, p. 10.
[6] OJ L 270, 8.10.2002, p. 3.
[7] OJ L 144, 4.6.1997, p. 6.
[8] OJ L 175, 19.6.1998, p. 9.

ANNEX

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List of agencies in exporting countries empowered to issue certificates of authenticity

Non-member country	Agency	
	Name	Address
Argentina	Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Pesca y Alimentos (SAGPyA), Coordinación de Mercados Ganaderos	Paseo Colón 922, 1er Piso Oficina 146 (C 1063 ACW) Buenos Aires Argentina
Australia	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry — Australia	PO Box 858 Canberra, ACT 2601
Botswana	Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Health and Production	Principal Veterinary Office (Abattoir) Private Bag 12 Lobatse
New Zealand	New Zealand Meat Board	PO Box 121 Wellington
Swaziland	Ministry of Agriculture	PO Box 162 Mbabane
Uruguay	Instituto Nacional de Carnes (INAC)	Rincón 459 Montevideo
South Africa	South African Livestock and Meat Industries Control Board	Hamilton and Vermeulen Streets Pretoria
Zimbabwe	Ministry of Agriculture Department of Veterinary Services	PO Box 8012 Causeway Harare Zimbabwe
Namibia	Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Rural Development Directorate of Veterinary Services	Private Bag 12002 Auspanplatz Windhoek 9000 Namibia'