COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/1759

of 23 October 2019

amending Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 as regards the inclusion of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and its Crown Dependencies in the list of third countries or parts thereof authorised for the introduction into the Union of consignments of raw milk, dairy products, colostrum and colostrum-based products intended for human consumption

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/99/EC of 16 December 2002 laying down the animal health rules governing the production, processing, distribution and introduction of products of animal origin for human consumption ([1]), and in particular the introductory phrase of Article 8, the first subparagraph of point (1) and point (4) of Article 8 and Article 9 (4) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) On 29 March 2017, the United Kingdom submitted the notification of its intention to withdraw from the Union pursuant to Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU). On 11 April 2019, the European Council adopted Decision (EU) 2019/584 ([2]) extending the period under Article 50(3) TEU in agreement with the United Kingdom. In accordance with that Decision, the period provided for in Article 50(3) TEU has been further extended until 31 October 2019. Union law will therefore cease to apply to and in the United Kingdom from 1 November 2019 ('the withdrawal date').

(2) Commission Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 ([3]) lays down the public and animal health conditions and certification requirements for the introduction into the Union of consignments of raw milk, dairy products, colostrum and colostrum-based products intended for human consumption, and the list of third countries or parts thereof from which the introduction into the Union of such consignments is authorised.

(3) The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has provided the necessary guarantees for that country and its Crown Dependencies to comply with the conditions laid down in Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 for the introduction into the Union of consignments of raw milk, dairy products, colostrum and colostrum-based products intended for human consumption from the withdrawal date, by continuing to comply with Union legislation for an initial period of at least nine months.

(4) Therefore, taking into account these specific guarantees provided by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and in order to avoid any unnecessary disruption to trade after the withdrawal date, the United Kingdom and its Crown Dependencies should be included in columns 'A','B' and 'C' in the list of third countries and parts thereof set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 authorised for the introduction into the Union of consignments of raw milk, dairy products, colostrum and colostrum-based products intended for human consumption.

(5) Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) This Regulation should apply as of the withdrawal date, unless Union law continues to apply to and in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on that date.

([1]) OJ L 18, 23.1.2003, p. 11.
([2]) European Council Decision (EU) 2019/584 taken in agreement with the United Kingdom of 11 April 2019 extending the period under Article 50(3) TEU (OJ L 101, 11.4.2019, p. 1).
([3]) Commission Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 of 2 July 2010 laying down animal and public health and veterinary certification conditions for the introduction into the European Union of raw milk and dairy products intended for human consumption (OJ L 175, 10.7.2010, p. 1).

(7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply as of the withdrawal date.

However, it shall not apply if Union law continues to apply to and in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on that date.

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

Done at Brussels, 23 October 2019.

For the Commission
The President
Jean-Claude JUNCKER

ANNEX

The table set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 605/2010 is amended as follows:

(a) the following lines are inserted after the entry for Ethiopia:

‘GB	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	+	+	+
GG	Guernsey	+	+	+’

(b) the following line is inserted after the entry for Israel:

‘IM	Isle of Man	+	+	+’

(c) the following line is inserted after the entry for Iceland:

‘JE	Jersey	+	+	+’