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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2745/1999

of 17 December 1999

amending Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products

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) By virtue of Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 [1], the Council opened Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products; Community demand for the products in question should be met under the most favourable conditions; Community tariff quotas should therefore be opened at reduced or zero rates of duty for appropriate volumes, and increased or extended in the case of certain existing tariff quotas, while avoiding any disturbance to the markets for these products;

(2) It is no longer in the Community's interest to maintain a Community tariff quota on some of the products covered by the above Regulation, and those products should therefore be removed from the table in Annex I;

(3) In view of the large number of amendments coming into effect on 1 January 2000 and in order to clarify matters for the user, the table in Annex I to the above Regulation should be replaced by the table in the Annex to this Regulation;

(4) Having regard to the economic importance of the said Regulation for European industry and the requirement that it enter into force on 1 January 2000, it is necessary to invoke the ground of urgency referred to in point I(3) of the additional Protocol to the Treaty of Amsterdam on the role of national parliaments in the European Union;

(5) Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 should therefore be amended,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the quota period from 1 January to 31 December 1999, Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 shall be amended as follows:

— order number 09.2711: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 1 035 000 tonnes,

— order number 09.2939: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 135 000 000 units,

— order number 09.2943: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 60 000 000 units,

— order number 09.2944: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 48 000 000 units,

— order number 09.2959: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 60 000 tonnes,

— order number 09.2966: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 12 000 tonnes.

Article 2

The table in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 shall be replaced by the table set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 3

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2000, except for Article 1 which shall apply from 1 January 1999.

[1] OJ L 345, 31.12.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1969/1999 (OJ L 244, 16.9.1999, p. 38).

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

Done at Brussels, 17 December 1999.

For the Council
The President
K. HEMILÄ

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	TARIC code	Description	Amount of quota	Quota duty (%)	Quota period
09.2703	ex 2852 30 00	10	Vanadium oxides and hydroxides, only for the production of alloys (a)	13 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2711	7202 41 10 7202 41 91 7202 41 99	—	Ferro-chromium containing by weight more than 4 % of carbon for the manufacture of iron or steel of Chapter 72 of Combined Nomenclature (a)	1 035 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2713			Sweet cherries, marinated in alcohol, of a diameter not exceeding 19,9 mm, stoned, intended for the manufacture of chocolate products (a):	2 000 tonnes		1.1.-31.12
	ex 2008 60 19	10	— with a sugar content exceeding 9 % by weight		10 (1)	
	ex 2008 60 39	11/19	— with a sugar content not exceeding 9 % by weight		10	
09.2719			Sour cherries (Prunus cerasus), marinated in alcohol, of a diameter not exceeding 19,9 mm, intended for the manufacture of chocolate products (a):	2 000 tonnes		1.1.-31.12.
	ex 2008 60 19	20	— with a sugar content exceeding 9 % by weight		10 (1)	
	ex 2008 60 39	20	— with a sugar content not exceeding 9 % by weight		10	
09.2727	ex 3902 90 90	93	Synthetic poly-alpha-olefin having a viscosity of not less than 38×10^{-6} m^2 s^{-1} (38 centistokes) at 100 °C, measures using the ASTM D 445 method	7 500 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2729	ex 0811 90 95	10	Boysenberries, preserved by freezing, not containing added sugar, for the processing industry (a)	1 500 tonnes	12	1.1.-31.12.
09.2799	ex 7202 49 90	10	Ferro-chromium containing 1,5 % or more but not more than 4 % by weight of carbon and not more than 70 % by weight of chromium	35 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2809	ex 3802 90 00	10	Acid-activated montmorillonite for the manufacture of self-copy paper (a)	10 000 tonnes	0	1.1-31.12.
09.2829	ex 3824 90 95	19	Solid extract of the residual insoluble in aliphatic solvents obtained during the extraction of resin from wood, having the following characteristics: — a resin acid content not exceeding 30 % by weight — an acid number not exceeding 110, and — melting point of not less than 100 °C	1 600 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2837	ex 2903 49 80	10	Bromochloromethane	700 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2841	ex 2712 90 99	10	Blend of 1-alkenes containing 80 % by weight or more of 1-alkenes of a chain-length of 20 and 22 carbon atoms	10 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.

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09.2849	ex 0710 80 69	10	Mushrooms of the species Auricularia polytricha (uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling), frozen, for the manufacture of prepared meals (a) (b)	700 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2851	ex 2907 12 00	10	*o*-Cresol having a purity of not less than 98,5 % by weight	13 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2853	ex 2930 90 70	35	Glutathione	15 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2859	ex 2909 49 90	10	2,2′-Isopropylidene-bis (p-phenyleneoxy) diethanol, in solid form	1 300 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2867	ex 3207 40 80	10	Glass granulate, containing by weight: — 73 % or more but not more than 77 % of silicon dioxide, — 12 % or more but not more than 18 % of dibroron trioxide and — 4 % or more but not more than 8 % of polyethylene glycol	310 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2881	ex 3901 90 90	92	Chlorosulphonated polyethylene	6 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2889	3805 10 90	—	Sulphate turpentine	20 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2913	ex 2401 10 41 ex 2401 10 49 ex 2401 10 50 ex 2401 10 70 ex 2401 10 90 ex 2401 20 41 ex 2401 20 49 ex 2401 20 50 ex 2401 20 70 ex 2401 20 90	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	Natural unmanufactured tobacco, whether or not cut in regular size, having a custom value of not less than 450 €/100 kg net weight, for use as binder or wrapper for the manufacture of products falling within subheading 2402 10 00 (a)	6 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2914	ex 3824 90 95	26	Aqueous solution containing by weight not less than 40 % of dry betaine-extract and 5 % or more but not more than 30 % by weight of organic or inorganic salts	38 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2915	ex 3824 90 95	27	Silicon dioxide having a purity of 99 % or more by weight, in the form of spherical particles dispersed in monoethylene glycol	60 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2917	2930 90 14	—	Cystine	600 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2918	ex 2910 90 00	50	1,2-Epoxybutan	500 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2919	ex 8708 29 90	10	Foldings bellows for the manufacture of articulated buses (a)	2 600 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2933	ex 2903 69 90	30	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	2 600 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2935	3806 10 10	—	Rosin and resin acids, obtained from fresh oleoresins	60 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-30.6.
09.2935	3806 10 10	—	Rosin and resin acids, obtained from fresh oleoresins	50 000 tonnes	0	1.7.-31.12.
09.2936	ex 3815 90 90	45	Catalyst, in the form of powder, consisting of mixed vanadium and phosphorus oxides, containing by weight not more than 0,5 % of one of the following elements: lithium, potassium, sodium, cadmium or zinc, for use in the manufacture of maleic anhydride from butane (a)	100 tonnes	0	1.1.-30.6.2000

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09.2939	ex 8543 89 95	43	Voltage controlled oscillator (VCO), other than temperature compensated oscillators, consisting of active and passive elements mounted on a printed circuit, contained in a housing bearing: — an identification marking consisting of or including one of the following alphanumeric combinations: 1012TDK, 1019TDK, EK304, MQC403, MQC404, MQE001, MQE041, MQE042, MQE051, MQE201, MQE411, MQE501, URAE8X956A, URAB8, URAE8X960A, VD2S40, VD2S41, VD5S07 — or other identification markings relating to devices complying with the abovementioned description	135 000 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2945	ex 2940 00 90	10	D-Xylose	800 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2947	ex 3904 69 90	95	Poly(vinylidene fluoride), in powder form, for the preparation of paint or varnish for coating metal (a)	1 300 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2949	ex 8543 89 95	44	Temperature compensated oscillator, comprising a printed circuit on which are mounted at least a piezoelectric crystal and an adjustable capacitor, contained in a housing bearing: — an identification marking consisting of o including one of the following alphanumeric combinations: 3211A-ANF50, 5111B-ANL51, TCXO-111, TXO2603 — or other identification markings relating to devices complying with the abovementioned description	12 000 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2950	ex 2905 50 20	20	2-Chloroethanol, for the manufacture of liquid thioplasts of subheading 4002 99 90 (a)	4 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2954	ex 2926 90 99	55	3-[Trifluoromethyl] phenylacetonitrile	100 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2955	ex 2932 19 00	60	Flurtamone (ISO)	200 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2957	ex 8507 90 98	10	Stamped cylindrical can, in non-alloy steel, post-nickel-plated, for an accumulator, of a diameter of 13 mm or more but not exceeding 17 mm , and of a height of 27 mm or more but not exceeding 70 mm	70 000 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2959	ex 4804 41 91 ex 4804 41 99 ex 4804 51 90	10 10 10	Kraft paper and paperboard, weighing more than 150 g/m^2, only consisting of unbleached virgin fibres obtained by the chemical sulphate process, for the manufacture of products falling within heading 3921 (a)	45 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2964	ex 5502 00 80	20	Filament tow of cellulose produced by organic solvent spinning (Lyocell), folr use in the paper industry (a)	1 200 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.

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09.2966	ex 2839 19 00	20	Crystalline disodium disilicate, containing by weight: — 59 % or more of silicondioxide, and — 30 % or more of disodium oxide	12 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2975	ex 2918 30 00	10	Benzophenone-3,3':4,4-tetracarboxylic dianhydride	500 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2976	ex 8407 90 10	10	Four-stroke petrol engines of a cylinder capacity not exceeding 250 cc, for use in the manufacture of lawn-mowers of sub-heading 8433 11 (a)	900 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2977	ex 3204 17 00	20	Dye C.I.Pigment Blue 61	600 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2978	ex 4804 52 90	10	Kraft paper and paperboard, bleached uniformly throughout the mass, weighing 250 g/m² or more, for use in the manufacture of liquid food containers (a)	48 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2979	ex 7011 20 00	15	Glass face-plate with a diagonal measurement from the outer edge to the outer edge of 80,9 (± 0,2) cm and having a light transmission of 80 % (± 2 %) by a glass thickness of 11,43 mm	200 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2980	ex 4810 32 10 ex 4810 32 90	10 10	Kraft paper and paperboard, in rolls, bleached uniformly throughout the mass, coated on one side with kaolin and/or calcium carbonate, weighing more than 150 g/m² but less than 400 g/m², for use in the manufacture of liquid food containers (a)	52 000 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2981	ex 8407 90 80 ex 8407 90 90	10 10	Spark-ignition reciprocating or rotary internal combustion piston engines, having a cylinder capacity of not less than 300 cc and a power of not less than 6 but not exceeding 15,5 kW, for the manufacture of self-propelled lawn mowers, with a seat (tractor mowers) of sub-heading 8433 11 51 (a)	210 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2982	ex 2903 69 90	20	1,2-Bis (penthabromophenyl) ethane	4 500 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2983	ex 2909 30 38	10	Bis (penthabromophenyl) ether	6 500 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2984	ex 4811 29 00	10	Kraft paper comprising predominantly of pulped virgin fibres obtained from the chemical sulphate process, coated on one side with a (waxy) maize-starch based adhesive: — not reinforced, having a weight of not less than 48 grammes/m² but not exceeding 93 grammes/m² — reinforced, having a weight of not less than 130 grammes/m² but not exceeding 210 grammes/m² in the form of rolls of a width of not less than 150 cm, for slitting and reduction into rolls of subheading 4823 19 00 (a)	150 tonnes	0	1.1.-31.12.
09.2985	ex 8540 91 00	33	Flat masks of a length of 691,1 mm (± 0,2 mm) and a height of 407,7 mm (± 0,2 mm), with a width of the slots at the end of the central vertical axe of 155 micrometer (± 8 micrometer)	150 000 units	0	1.1.-31.12.

(a) Control of the use for this special purpose shall be carried out pursuant to the relevant Community provisions.

(b) However, the tariff quota is not allowed where processing is carried out by retail or catering undertakings.

([1]) The specific additional duty is applicable.