COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1160/2003

of 30 June 2003

amending Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 laying down rules for the application in the pigmeat sector of the arrangements provided for in the Europe Agreements with Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania, Poland and Hungary

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 2003/286/EC of 8 April 2003 on the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Bulgaria, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of negotiations between the Parties on new mutual agricultural concessions (1), and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2003/298/EC of 14 April 2003 on the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of negotiations between the parties on new mutual agricultural concessions (2), and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2003/299/EC of 14 April 2003 on the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of negotiations between the parties on new mutual agricultural concession (3), and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2003/18/EC of 19 December 2002 concerning the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Romania, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of negotiations between the Parties on new mutual agricultural concessions (4), and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2003/263/EC of 27 March 2003 on the signature and conclusion of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an

(¹⁾ OJ L 102, 24.4.2003, p. 60. (²⁾ OJ L 107, 30.4.2003, p. 12. (³⁾ OJ L 107, 30.4.2003, p. 36.

Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Poland, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of negotiations between the parties on new mutual agricultural concessions (⁵), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2003/285/EC of 18 March 2003 concerning the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of negotiations between the parties on new mutual agricultural concessions (6), and in particular the second paragraph of Article 3 thereof,

Whereas:

- Decisions 2003/286/EC, 2003/298/EC, 2003/299/EC, (1)2003/18/EC, 2003/263/EC and 2003/285/EC repeal, respectively, Regulations (EC) No 2290/2000 (7), (EC) No 2433/2000 (⁸), (EC) No 2434/2000 (⁹), (EC) No 2435/ 2000 (¹⁰), (EC) No 2851/2000 (¹¹) and (EC) No 1408/ 2002 (12), the latter having previously repealed Regulation (EC) No 1727/2000 (¹³).
- Following the repeal of Regulations (EC) Nos 2292/ (2)2000, 2433/2000, 2434/2000, 2435/2000, 2851/2000 and 1727/2000, the references made to those acts in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 (14), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1877/2002 (15), should be deleted.
- For annual periods commencing on 1 July, Regulation (3)(EC) No 1898/97 should also be adjusted in accordance with the provisions on pigmeat products laid down in Decisions 2003/286/EC, 2003/298/EC, 2003/299/EC, 2003/18/EC, 2003/263/EC and 2003/285/EC.
- Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 should consequently be (4)amended.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Pigmeat,

- OJ L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 1. (⁸)
- (°) OJ L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 9.
- (1) O L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 9.
 (1°) O J L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 17.
 (1°) O J L 332, 28.12.2000, p. 7.
 (1°) O J L 205, 2.8.2002, p. 9.
 (1°) O J L 198, 4.8.2000, p. 6.
 (1°) O J L 267, 30.9.1997, p. 58.
 (1°) O J L 284, 210.2007, p. 68.

- (¹⁵) OJ L 284, 22.10.2002, p. 9.

^{(&}lt;sup>4</sup>) OJ L 8, 14.1.2003, p. 18.

 ^{(&}lt;sup>5</sup>) OJ L 97, 15.4.2003, p. 53.
 (⁶) OJ L 102, 24.4.2003, p. 32.
 (⁷) OJ L 262, 17.10.2000, p. 1.

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HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 is hereby amended as follows:

 The first paragraph of Article 1 is replaced by the following: 'All imports into the Community under the arrangements laid down in Decisions 2003/286/EC, 2003/298/EC, 2003/ 299/EC, 2003/18/EC, 2003/263/EC and 2003/285/EC of products covered by group Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, H1, 7, 8, 9, T1,
 T2, T3, S1, S2, B1, 15, 16 and 17 provided for in Annex I hereto shall be subject to the presentation of an import licence.'

2. Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 is replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 July 2003.

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

Done at Brussels, 30 June 2003.

For the Commission Franz FISCHLER Member of the Commission EN

ANNEX

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Imports into the Community of the following products shall be subject to the concessions set out below:

А.	PRODUCTS	ORIGINATING	IN HUNGARY
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Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4705	1	1601 00 91 1601 00 99	Sausages, dry or other	Free	11 375	875	(2)
09.4706	2	$\begin{array}{c} 1602 \ 41 \ 10 \\ 1602 \ 42 \ 10 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 11 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 13 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 15 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 15 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 19 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 30 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 50 \end{array}$	Other preparations, preserved meat of domestic swine	Free	1 170	90	(2)
09.4704	3	0210 11 11 0210 12 11 0210 19 40 0210 19 51	Meat of domestic swine, salted or in brine	Free	1 300	100	(2)
09.4708	4	ex 0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	Free	52 000	4 000	(2) (3)
09.4727	H1	1501 00 19	Pig fat (including lard), other	Free	3 170	290	

(1) Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, applicability of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the applicability of the preferential scheme is to be determined on the basis of the CN code and corresponding description taken together. This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from export refunds. Excluding tenderloin presented alone.

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B. PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN POLAND

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4806	7	1601 00 ex 1602 1602 41 1602 42 1602 49	Sausages and similar products, of meat, meat offal or blood; food preparations based on these products but excluding CN code 1601 00 10 Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood, of swine: — hams and cuts thereof — shoulders and cuts thereof — other, including mixtures excluding CN code 1602 49 90	Free	20 800	1 600	(2)

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Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4820	8	0103 92 19	Live swine, domestic species	Free	1 750		(2)
09.4809	9	ex 0203 ex 0210 0210 11 0210 12 0210 19	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen Meat of swine: — Ham, shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in — bellies and cuts thereof — other	Free	39 000	3 000	(²) (³) (²)

Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more $(^{1})$ than indicative value, applicability of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the applicability of the preferential scheme is to be determined on the basis of the CN code and corresponding description taken together.

This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from export refunds.

(3)Excluding tenderloin presented alone.

C. PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4625	T1	0103 91 10 0103 92 19	Live swine, domestic species	20	1 500	0	
09.4626	Τ2	ex 0203 0210 11 to 0210 19	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen Meat of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked	Free	14 500	1 500	(²) (³) (²)
09.4629	Т3	1601 00 1602 41 to 1602 49	Sausages and similar products Prepared or preserved meat of swine	Free	4 370	690	(2)

Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, applicability of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the applicability of the preferential scheme is to be determined on the basis of the CN code and corresponding description taken together. $(^{1})$ This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from export refunds.

(3) Excluding tenderloin presented alone.

D. PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN SLOVAKIA

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4632	S1	ex 0203 0210 11 to 0210 19	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen Meat of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked	Free	3 000	300	(²) (³) (²)
09.4634	S2	1601 00 1602 41 to 1602 49	Sausages and similar products Prepared or preserved meat of swine	Free	350	50	(2)

Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, applicability of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the applicability of the preferential scheme is to be determined on the basis of the CN code and corresponding description taken together. (1)

This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from export refunds. Excluding tenderloin presented alone. (2)

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E. PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN BULGARIA

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4671	B1	ex 0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	Free	3 000	500	(2) (3)
		0210 11 0210 12 0210 19 1601 00	Meat of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked Sausages and similar products				
		1602 41 1602 42 1602 49	Prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood of swine				

Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, applicability of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the applicability of the preferential scheme is to be determined on the basis of the CN code and corresponding description taken together.
 (2) This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from export refunds.

(2) This concession is only applicable to products no(3) Excluding tenderloin presented alone.

F. PRODUCTS ORIGINATING IN ROMANIA

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (¹)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2003 to 30.6.2004 (tonnes)	Annual increase (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4751	15	1601 00 91 1601 00 99	Sausages, other than of liver	20	1 125	0	
09.4752	16	$\begin{array}{c} 1602 \ 41 \ 10 \\ 1602 \ 42 \ 10 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 11 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 13 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 13 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 15 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 19 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 30 \\ 1602 \ 49 \ 50 \end{array}$	Preserved meat of domestic swine	20	2 125	0	
09.4756	17	ex 0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	20	15 625	0	(2)

(1) Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, applicability of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code. Where ex CN codes are indicated, the applicability of the preferential scheme is to be determined on the basis of the CN code and corresponding description taken together.
 (2) This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from export refunds.'