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(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2018/1128

of 9 August 2018

amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 opening annual Union tariff quotas for sheep, goats, sheepmeat and goatmeat

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular points (a) and (b) of Article 187 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 ⁽²⁾ provides for the opening of annual Union import tariff quotas for sheep, goats, sheepmeat and goatmeat, including those originating in Iceland.
- (2) Article 4 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 provides that the tariff quotas opened by that Regulation are to be managed in accordance with Articles 49 to 54 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2447 ⁽³⁾.
- (3) The European Union and Iceland signed an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters (hereafter 'the Agreement') concerning additional trade preferences in agricultural products on 23 March 2017. The signature of the Agreement on behalf of the Union was authorised by Council Decision (EU) 2016/2087 ⁽⁴⁾ and its conclusion by Council Decision (EU) 2017/1913 ⁽⁵⁾.
- (4) In accordance with Annex V to the Agreement, the Union amended Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/562 ⁽⁶⁾. The amendment increased the quantities of the pre-existing duty-free quotas for Iceland for sheepmeat and goatmeat, falling within tariff headings 0204 and 0210, and furthermore opened an annual Union duty-free quota for processed sheepmeat falling within subheading 1602 90.
- (5) The quantities of the sheepmeat and goatmeat quotas managed under Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 are expressed in carcass-weight equivalent, whereas the Agreement provides for the quantities to be expressed in tonnes of products. It is therefore appropriate to provide for the management of the Union tariff

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 of 20 December 2011 opening annual Union tariff quotas for sheep, goats, sheepmeat and goatmeat (OJ L 338, 21.12.2011, p. 36).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2447 of 24 November 2015 laying down detailed rules for implementing certain provisions of Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the Union Customs Code (OJ L 343, 29.12.2015, p. 558).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2016/2087 of 14 November 2016 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and Iceland concerning additional trade preferences in agricultural products (OJ L 324, 30.11.2016, p. 1).

⁽⁵⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2017/1913 of 9 October 2017 on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and Iceland concerning additional trade preferences in agricultural products (OJ L 274, 24.10.2017, p. 57).

⁽⁶⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/562 of 9 April 2018 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 opening annual Union tariff quotas for sheep, goats, sheepmeat and goatmeat (OJ L 94, 12.4.2018, p. 4).

quotas which are set out in the Agreement in a separate Regulation to be adopted, in order to ensure a smooth quota management pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾. As a consequence, those tariff quotas should be simultaneously removed from Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 based on Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

- (6) It is therefore necessary to amend Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 accordingly.
- (7) The new Regulation opening the import tariff quotas for sheepmeat and goatmeat and processed sheepmeat originating in Iceland adopted pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 will apply from 1 September 2018. Therefore, the corresponding amendments to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 should apply from the same date.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the Common Organisation of the Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1354/2011 is amended as follows:

- (1) in Article 3(2), point (e) is deleted;
- (2) the Annex is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

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*.

It shall apply from 1 September 2018.

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

Done at Brussels, 9 August 2018.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Günther OETTINGER
Member of the Commission*

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 October 2013 laying down the Union Customs Code (OJ L 269, 10.10.2013, p. 1).

SHEEPMEAT AND GOATMEAT (in tonnes (t) of carcass weight equivalent) UNION TARIFF QUOTAS

CN codes	"Ad valorem" duty (%)	Specific duty EUR/100 kg	Order number under "first-come first-served"				Origin	Annual volume in tonnes of carcass weight equivalent
			Live animals (Coefficient = 0,47)	Boneless lamb ⁽¹⁾ (Coefficient = 1,67)	Boneless mutton/sheep ⁽²⁾ (Coefficient = 1,81)	Bone-in and carcasses (Coefficient = 1,00)		
0204	Zero	Zero	—	09.2101	09.2102	09.2011	Argentina	23 000
			—	09.2105	09.2106	09.2012	Australia	19 186
			—	09.2109	09.2110	09.2013	New Zealand	228 254
			—	09.2111	09.2112	09.2014	Uruguay	5 800
			—	09.2115	09.2116	09.1922	Chile ⁽³⁾	8 000
			—	09.2121	09.2122	09.0781	Norway	300
			—	09.2125	09.2126	09.0693	Greenland	100
			—	09.2129	09.2130	09.0690	Faeroes	20
			—	09.2131	09.2132	09.0227	Turkey	200
			—	09.2171	09.2175	09.2015	Others ⁽⁴⁾	200
			—	09.2178	09.2179	09.2016	<i>Erga omnes</i> ⁽⁵⁾	200
0104 10 30 0104 10 80 0104 20 90	10	Zero	09.2181	—	—	09.2019	<i>Erga omnes</i> ⁽⁵⁾	92

⁽¹⁾ And goatmeat of kid.⁽²⁾ And goatmeat other than kid.⁽³⁾ Tariff quota for Chile increases by 200 t per annum.⁽⁴⁾ "Others" shall refer to all WTO members, excluding Argentina, Australia, New Zealand, Uruguay, Chile, Greenland and Iceland.⁽⁵⁾ "Erga omnes" shall refer to all origins including the countries mentioned in the current table.