

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2866/2000
of 27 December 2000**

amending Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 laying down rules of application in the pigmeat sector for the arrangements covered by Council Regulations (EC) No 1727/2000 and (EC) No 3066/95 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2698/93 and (EC) No 1590/94 and amending Regulation (EC) No 2332/2000 determining the extent to which applications lodged in October 2000 for import licences for certain pigmeat products under the regime provided for by the Agreements concluded by the Community with the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Hungary, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria and Romania can be accepted

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2290/2000 of 9 October 2000, establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with the Republic of Bulgaria ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2433/2000 of 17 October 2000, establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with the Czech Republic ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2434/2000 of 17 October 2000, establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with the Slovak Republic ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2435/2000 of 17 October 2000, establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Europe Agreement with Romania ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2851/2000 of 22 December 2000 establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for an adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for

in the Europe Agreement with the Republic of Poland and repealing Council Regulation (EC) 3066/95 ⁽⁵⁾, and in particular Article 1(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 ⁽⁶⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2072/2000 ⁽⁷⁾, lays down rules of application in the pigmeat sector for the arrangements in the Europe Agreements. It should be amended in line with the provisions on pigmeat products in Regulations (EC) No 2290/2000, (EC) No 2433/2000, (EC) No 2434/2000, (EC) No 2435/2000 and (EC) No 2851/2000.
- (2) Repayment of import duties on products listed in Parts C, D and E of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1898/97 as they existed before entry into force of this Regulation and imported under licences used from 1 July 2000 falls within the scope of Articles 878 to 898 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93 of 2 July 1993 laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code ⁽⁸⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2787/2000 ⁽⁹⁾.
- (3) The provisions in this Regulation for Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, the Slovak Republic and Romania should be applied in parallel with Regulations (EC) No 2290/2000, (EC) No 2433/2000, (EC) No 2434/2000 and (EC) No 2435/2000 from 1 July 2000. The provisions in this Regulation for Poland should be applied in parallel with Regulation (EC) No 2851/2000 from 1 January 2001.
- (4) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2332/2000 ⁽¹⁰⁾ determines the quantities, pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1898/97, available for the period 1 January to 31 March 2001. It should be amended in line with the new annual quantities given in Annex I to this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 262, 17.10.2000, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 9.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 280, 4.11.2000, p. 17.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 332, 28.12.2000, p. 7.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 267, 30.9.1997, p. 58.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ L 246, 30.9.2000, p. 34.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 1.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ L 330, 27.12.2000, p. 1.

⁽¹⁰⁾ OJ L 269, 21.10.2000, p. 11.

- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Pigmeat,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

1. The title is replaced by the following text:
'laying down rules of application, in the pigmeat sector for the arrangements covered by Council Regulations (EC) No 1727/2000, (EC) No 2290/2000, (EC) No 2433/2000, (EC) No 2434/2000, (EC) No 2435/2000 and (EC) No 2851/2000 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2698/93 and (EC) No 1590/94.'
2. The first paragraph of Article 1 is replaced by the following text:

'All imports into the Community under the arrangements laid down in Regulations (EC) No 1727/2000, 2290/2000, (EC) No 2433/2000, (EC) No 2434/2000, (EC) No 2435/2000 and (EC) No 2851/2000 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 to this Regulation shall be subject to presentation of an import licence.'

3. Parts B, C, D, E and F of Annex I are replaced by Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

Annex II of Regulation (EC) No 2332/2000 is replaced by Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 3

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

It shall apply with effect from 1 July 2000. However, for imports from the Republic of Poland, Articles 1 and 2 are applicable from 1 January 2001.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 December 2000.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

B. Products originating in Poland

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (1)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Annual increase as from 1.7.2001 (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 Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood, of swine: — Hams and cuts thereof — Shoulders and cuts thereof — Other, including mixtures	free	16 000	1 600	(2)
09.4820	8	0103 92 19	Live domestic pigs	20	1 750	0	
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	30 000	3 000	(2) (3) (2)

C. Products originating in the Czech Republic

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description (1)	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Annual increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4625	T1	0103 91 10 0103 92 19	Live domestic pigs	20	1 500	0	
09.4626	T2	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	10 000	1 500	(2) (3) (2)
09.4629	T3	1601 00 1602 41 to 1602 49	Sausages and similar products Prepared or preserved meat of swine	free	2 300	690	(2)

D. Products originating in the Slovak Republic

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Annual increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4632	S1	ex 0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	free	2 000	300	(²) (³)
		0210 11 to 0210 19	Meat of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked				(²)
09.4634	S2	1601 00 1602 41 to 1602 49	Sausages and similar products Prepared or preserved meat of swine	free	200	50	(²)

E. Products originating in Bulgaria

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Annual increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4671	B1	ex 0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	free	1 500	500	(²) (³)
		0210 11	Meat of swine, salted, in brine, dried or smoked				
		0210 12					
		0210 19					
		1601 00	Sausages and similar products				
1602 41	Prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood of swine						
1602 42							
1602 49							

F. Products originating in Romania

Order No	Group No	CN code	Description ⁽¹⁾	Applicable duty (% of MFN)	Annual quantity from 1.7.2000 to 30.6.2001 (tonnes)	Annual increase as from 1.7.2001 (tonnes)	Special provisions
09.4751	15	1601 00 91 1601 00 99	Sausages, other than of liver	20	1 125	0	
09.4752	16	1602 41 10 1602 42 10 1602 49 11 1602 49 13 1602 49 15 1602 49 19 1602 49 30 1602 49 50	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	(³)

(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, 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 preferential scheme is to be determined by application to the CN code and corresponding description taken together.

(²) This concession is only applicable to products not benefiting from any kind of export subsidies.

(³) Excluding tenderloin presented alone.

ANNEX II

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Group No	Total quantity available for the period 1 January to 31 March 2001
1	4 092,5
2	374,7
3	740,0
4	21 014,8
H1	1 800,0
7	10 128,6
8	1 312,5
9	22 500,0
T1	1 125,0
T2	7 470,0
T3	1 725,0
S1	1 500,0
S2	150,0
B1	1 125,0
15	843,8
16	1 566,9
17	11 718,8'