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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1627/2004

of 13 September 2004

amending Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) As from 1 May 2004, 10 new Member States have joined the European Union. Article 6(7) of the 2003 Act of Accession establishes that the new Member States are to apply the common trade policy concerning textiles and that the quantitative restrictions applied by the Community on imports of textile and clothing products are to be adjusted to take account of the accession of the new Member States to the Community.
- (2) With effect from 1 May 2004, Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 (¹) was last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 487/2004 (²). It adjusted the quantitative limits for imports of certain textile products from third countries into the enlarged Community, taking into account traditional imports into the 10 new Member States and using a formula of the average imports of years 2000 to 2002 adjusted pro rata temporis. This

same methodology should now be applied to adjust the quantitative limits for imports of certain textile products from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

- (3) Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (4) It is desirable for this Regulation to enter into force on the day after its publication in order to allow operators to benefit from it as soon as possible,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93, the Community quantitative limits for Vietnam for 2004 set out in Annex V and in Annex VII to that Regulation shall be replaced by the Community quantitative limits set out in Part A and Part B of 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.

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

Done at Brussels, 13 September 2004.

For the Council The President B. R. BOT

^{(&}lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 275, 8.11.1993, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 79, 17.3.2004, p. 1.

ANNEX

PART A

In Annex V to Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93, the Community quantitative limits for Vietnam for 2004 shall be replaced by the following:

Third country	Category	Unit	Community quantitative limits
			2004
Vietnam	GROUP IB		
	4	1 000 pieces	22 276
	5	1 000 pieces	7 669
	6	1 000 pieces	9 755
	7	1 000 pieces	6 408
	8	1 000 pieces	22 628
	GROUP IIA		
	9	tonnes	1 067
	20	tonnes	289
	39	tonnes	266
	GROUP IIB		
	12	1 000 pairs	5 539
	13	1 000 pieces	14 984
	14	1 000 pieces	636
	15	1 000 pieces	1 061
	18	tonnes	2 1 3 2
	21	1 000 pieces	22 942
	26	1 000 pieces	2 348
	28	1 000 pieces	7 110
	29	1 000 pieces	747
	31	1 000 pieces	8 088
	68	tonnes	790
	73	1 000 pieces	2 093
	76	tonnes	2 0 5 0
	78	tonnes	2 1 2 6
	83	tonnes	710
	GROUP IIIA		
	35	tonnes	1 341
	41	tonnes	1 336
	GROUP IIIB		
	10	1 000 pairs	6 841
	97	tonnes	367
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	GROUP IV	4	205
	118	tonnes	295
	GROUP V		
	161	tonnes	545'

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PART B

In Annex VII to Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93, the Community quantitative limits for 2004 for goods re-imported under OPT for Vietnam shall be replaced by the following:

Third country	Category	Unit	Community quantitative limits
			2004
'Vietnam	GROUP IB		
	4	1 000 pieces	1 065
	5	1 000 pieces	812
	6	1 000 pieces	765
	7	1 000 pieces	1 418
	8	1 000 pieces	3 287
	GROUP IIB		
	12	1 000 pairs	3 348
	13	1 000 pieces	1 024
	15	1 000 pieces	331
	18	tonnes	385
	21	1 000 pieces	2 239
	26	1 000 pieces	210
	31	1 000 pieces	1 869
	68	tonnes	156
	76	tonnes	532
	78	tonnes	372'