

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2017/2420**of 21 December 2017****fixing the allocation coefficient to be applied to the quantities covered by applications for import licences lodged from 1 to 7 December 2017 under the tariff quotas opened by Regulation (EC) No 891/2009 in the sugar sector and suspending the submission of applications for such licences**

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 Article 188(1) and (3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 891/2009 ⁽²⁾ opened annual tariff quotas for imports of sugar products.
- (2) The quantities covered by import licence applications lodged from 1 to 7 December 2017 for the subperiod from 1 to 31 December 2017 are, for order number 09.4321, greater than those available. The extent to which import licences may be issued should therefore be determined by fixing the allocation coefficient to be applied to the quantities requested, calculated in accordance with Article 7(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1301/2006 ⁽³⁾. The submission of further applications for import licences under that order number should be suspended until the end of the quota period.
- (3) In order to ensure efficient management of the measure, this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The quantities covered by import licence applications lodged under Regulation (EC) No 891/2009 from 1 to 7 December 2017 shall be multiplied by the allocation coefficient set out in the Annex to this Regulation.
2. The submission of further applications for import licences under the order numbers indicated in the Annex shall be suspended until the end of the 2017/2018 quota period.

*Article 2*This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 891/2009 of 25 September 2009 opening and providing for the administration of certain Community tariff quotas in the sugar sector (OJ L 254, 26.9.2009, p. 82).

⁽³⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 1301/2006 of 31 August 2006 laying down common rules for the administration of import tariff quotas for agricultural products managed by a system of import licences (OJ L 238, 1.9.2006, p. 13).

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

Done at Brussels, 21 December 2017.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA
Director-General
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ANNEX

‘CXL concessions sugar’
2017/2018 Quota period
Applications lodged from 1 to 7 December 2017

Order No	Country	Allocation coefficient (%)	Further applications
09.4317	Australia	—	
09.4318	Brazil	—	
09.4319	Cuba	—	
09.4320	Any third country	—	
09.4321	India	25,000213	Suspended
09.4329	Brazil	—	
09.4330	Brazil	Available in 2022/2023 and 2023/2024	

‘Balkans sugar’
2017/2018 Quota period
Applications lodged from 1 to 7 December 2017

Order No	Country	Allocation coefficient (%)	Further applications
09.4324	Albania	—	
09.4325	Bosnia and Herzegovina	—	
09.4326	Serbia	—	
09.4327	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	—	