



COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION

amending Regulation No 2505/96 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. In response to requests from several Member States, the Commission's departments, together with the government experts concerned, considered to open and increase autonomous tariff quotas for certain industrial products.
2. Following the discussion, at a meeting of the Economic Tariff Questions Group, it was concluded that the Member States could approve new quotas and increases for the products covered by the proposal for a Regulation, without disturbing the markets for such products.

Hence the attached proposal for a Regulation.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 26 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission¹,

Whereas:

- (1) By virtue of Regulation (EC) No 2505/96², the Council opened Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products; Community demand for the products in question should be met under the most favourable conditions; Community tariff quotas should therefore be opened at zero rates of duty for appropriate volumes and increased in the case of certain existing tariff quotas, while avoiding any disturbance to the markets for these products.
- (2) Having regard to the economic importance of the said Regulation for European industry and the requirement that it enter into force on 1 July 2000, it is necessary to invoke the ground of urgency referred to in point I (3) of the additional Protocol to the Treaty of Amsterdam on the role of national parliaments in the European Union.
- (3) Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 should therefore be amended.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the quota period from 1 January to 31 December 2000, Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 shall be amended as follows:

- order number 09.2950: the amount of the tariff quota shall be altered to 5.000 tonnes.

¹ OJ L

² OJ L 345, 31.12.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2745/1999 (OJ L 331, 23.12.1999, p.17).

Article 2

The table in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 is amended by the table set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 3

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

It shall apply from 1 July 2000, except for Article 1 which shall apply from 1 January 2000.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	TARIC code	Description	Amount of quota	Quota duty (%)	Quota period
09.2986	ex 3824 90 95	74	Mixture of tertiary amines containing: - 60% by weight of dodecyldimethylamine, or more - 20% by weight of dimethyl(tetradecyl)amine, or more - 0,5% by weight of hexadecyldimethylamine, or more	4.000 tons	0	1.7.-31.12.2000
09.2987	ex 3905 91 00	93	Copolymer of ethylene and vinyl alcohol (EVOH)	1.000 tons	0	1.7.-31.12.2000
09.2988	ex 4823 90 50 ex 4823 90 90	30 13	Paper of a kind used for the production of electrolytic capacitors (condensor paper), made up from other material than esparto, containing not more than 5 mg/kg of sulphate and not more than 1 mg/kg of chlorine , having a thickness of 25 µm or more but not exceeding 80 µm and a width of not more than 800 mm	705 tons	0	1.7.-31.12.2000

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. TITLE OF OPERATION

Proposal for a Council Regulation (EC) amending Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products.

2. BUDGET HEADING(S) INVOLVED

Chapter 12, Article 120 (1210 + 1060)

3. LEGAL BASIS

Article 26 of the Treaty

4. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION

4.1 General objective

To ensure that the Community processing industry is supplied on favourable terms.

5. FINANCIAL IMPACT

5.1 Method of calculating total cost of operation (relation between individual and total costs)

Product description	Variation in quota volume (Units/tonnes)	Variation in estimated price (€/Unit)	Variation in normal duty (%) (CCT 2000)	Variation in quota duty (%)	Expected variation in the loss of revenue in relation to the previous quota period (in €)
Mixture 09.2986	+ 4.000 t (initial volume: 0 t)	0 (initial price: 1.470)	0 (initial duty: 6,5)	0	+ 382.200
Copolymer 09.2987	+ 1.000 t (initial volume: 0 t)	0 (initial price: 5.378)	0 (initial duty: 8,9)	0	+ 478.642
Paper 09.2988	+ 705 t (initial volume: 0 t)	0 (initial price: 6.153)	0 (initial duty: 4,6 (average duty))	0	+ 199.541

Total loss of revenue in relation to the previous quota period: + 1.060.383 €.

6. FRAUD PREVENTION MEASURES

Provisions on the management of tariff quotas include the measures needed to prevent and protect against frauds and irregularities.