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COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 7 October 1991

concerning the conclusion of the Framework Agreement for cooperation between the European Economic Community and the United Mexican States

(91/627/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 113 and 235 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Whereas the Community should approve, for the attainment of its aims in the sphere of external economic relations, the Framework Agreement for cooperation negotiated with the United Mexican States,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Framework Agreement for cooperation between the European Economic Community and the United Mexican

States is hereby approved on behalf of the Community. The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council shall give, on behalf of the Community, the notification provided for in Article 43 of the Agreement ⁽³⁾.

Article 3

The Commission, assisted by representatives of the Member States, shall represent the Community in the Joint Committee set up by Article 39 of the Agreement.

Done at Luxembourg, 7 October 1991.

For the Council

The President

W. KOK

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 91, 9. 4. 1991, p. 4.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 267, 14. 10. 1991.

⁽³⁾ See page 16 of this Official Journal.

FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION

between the European Economic Community and the United Mexican States

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

on the one part,

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES,

on the other part,

CONSIDERING the traditional links of friendship between the Member States of the European Economic Community and the United Mexican States;

MINDFUL of the common will of the European Economic Community, hereinafter referred to as the 'Community' and the United Mexican States, hereinafter referred to as 'Mexico', to expand and diversify trade between them and to step up cooperation in trade, economic matters, science and technology and financial matters;

CONSIDERING that the main beneficiary of cooperation is man, and that respect of his rights should therefore be promoted;

BELIEVING that the Parties and relations between them have developed beyond the scope of the Cooperation Agreement concluded between them in 1975;

RECOGNIZING the positive consequences of the process of reform and modernization of the economy in Mexico for trade and economic relations between the Parties;

WELCOMING the institutionalization of dialogue between the Rio Group and the Community and its Member States by the Rome Declaration of 20 December 1990;

DECLARING that the basic aim of this Agreement shall be to consolidate, intensify and diversify relations between the Parties, to the benefit of both;

TAKING ACCOUNT of the acknowledged differences in the economic development of the Parties;

DESIROUS of contributing to the development of international economic relations;

CONSCIOUS of the international importance of the consolidation of the European single market in the world context;

RECOGNIZING that the Community and its Member States attach great importance to the furtherance of trade and economic cooperation with developing countries, in the interests of helping to promote and strengthen their economies;

CONVINCED of the importance of the rules and principles of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) for the purposes of open and continually expanding international trade, and reaffirming their commitments under that Agreement;

CONSIDERING the importance attached by both Parties to the protection of the environment, resolved to redouble their efforts to ensure that this issue is fully integrated into any development policy while taking into account local and global implications;

MINDFUL of the importance of facilitating the involvement in cooperation of the individuals and entities directly concerned, particularly economic operators and the bodies representing them;

HAVE DECIDED to conclude this Agreement and to this end have designated as their plenipotentiaries;

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES:

Jacques F. POOS,

Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg,

President-in-Office of the Council of the European Communities;

Abel MATUTES,

Member of the Commission of the European Communities;

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES:

Fernando SOLANA MORALES,

Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States;

WHO, having exchanged their full powers, found in good and due form,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Both Parties hereby undertake to impart renewed vigour to relations between them. To achieve this essential objective, they resolve to promote in particular the development of cooperation relating to trade, investment, finance and technology, taking account of Mexico's special situation as a developing country.

CHAPTER I

Economic cooperation

Article 2

1. The Contracting Parties, taking into account their mutual interest and long- and medium-term economic objectives, undertake to establish economic cooperation of the widest possible scope. The aims of such cooperation shall be in particular:

- (a) generally to step up and diversify economic links between them;
- (b) to contribute to the sustainable development of their economies and standards of living;
- (c) to open up new sources of supply and new markets;
- (d) to encourage the flow of investment and technology;
- (e) to promote cooperation between economic operators, particularly small- and medium-sized enterprises;
- (f) to establish conditions conducive to job-creation;
- (g) to protect and improve the environment;
- (h) to encourage rural development measures;
- (i) to boost progress in science and technology.

2. Without excluding beforehand any area, the Contracting Parties shall, in their mutual interest and with regard to their respective capacities, determine by common agreement the spheres to be covered by economic cooperation. Cooperation shall centre particularly on the following:

- (a) industry;

- (b) intellectual and industrial property, standards and quality standards;
- (c) technology transfer;
- (d) agro-industry;
- (e) fish-farming and fisheries;
- (f) energy planning and the efficient use of energy;
- (g) environmental protection;
- (h) management of natural resources;
- (i) services, including financial services, tourism, transport, telecommunications and data processing;
- (j) exchange of information on monetary issues.

3. In the interests of attaining the objectives of economic cooperation, the Contracting Parties shall, each in accordance with its laws, endeavour to promote activities including the following:

- (a) the stepping-up of contacts between the Parties, in particular through the organization of conferences, seminars, trade and industrial missions, 'business weeks', general and sectoral trade fairs and fact-finding missions with a view to increasing the flow of trade and investment;
- (b) participation by Community enterprises in fairs and exhibitions in Mexico, and vice versa;
- (c) technical assistance, notably involving the provision of experts and the undertaking of specific studies;
- (d) the setting up of joint ventures;
- (e) cooperation between financial institutions;
- (f) the exchange of relevant data, and in particular access to existing or future databanks;
- (g) the formation of networks of economic operators, particularly in industry.

Cooperation between financial institutions

Article 3

In line with their needs and within the bounds of their programmes and laws, the Contracting Parties shall

endeavour to encourage cooperation between financial institutions by means of measures to promote the following:

- exchanges of information and experience in matters of mutual interest. Such cooperation shall take the form *inter alia* of seminars, conferences and workshops,
- exchanges of experts,
- the provision of technical assistance,
- exchanges of information relating to statistics and methods.

Article 4

In view of the aims of economic cooperation, the Contracting Parties shall endeavour to promote, so far as the laws of each side allow, the conclusion between the Member States of the Community and Mexico of agreements relating to double taxation, and to encourage the exchange of information on this issue.

Industrial cooperation

Article 5

The Contracting Parties shall promote the expansion and diversification of Mexico's production base in the industrial and service sectors, directing their cooperation activities at small- and medium-sized enterprises in particular and encouraging steps to facilitate access on the part of these enterprises to sources of capital, to markets and to appropriate technology, and also fostering joint venture activities directed especially towards trade between the Parties and aimed at third country markets.

To that end, the Parties shall encourage, within the limits of their responsibilities, projects and operations promoting cooperation between entrepreneurs such as: joint ventures, subcontracting, technology transfer, licences, applied research and franchise.

Investment

Article 6

In the interests of achieving the aims of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties agree to promote as far as possible appropriate measures for the development and maintenance of a favourable, predictable and stable climate for investment. The Contracting Parties confirm the need for private investors from each side to play an active role in the development of the other, in the interests of increasing economic interaction. In this connection, each Party undertakes to examine, within the limits of its responsibilities and in accordance with its laws, regulations and policies, the possibility of setting up operations and mechanisms to improve the climate for such investment, in keeping with the

guidelines of paragraph 38 of the Rome Declaration on relations between the European Economic Community and the Rio Group. The same should apply to double taxation agreements.

The Contracting Parties shall endeavour to encourage mechanisms and operations for promoting investment with the aim of identifying, and helping to take advantage of, new opportunities and collaborating in arranging promotional events including seminars, exhibitions and business trips and in enabling economic operators to generate investment projects.

Article 7

Within the limits of their responsibilities, policies and possibilities, the Contracting Parties shall encourage the provision of the financial support and technical assistance necessary to bring about joint investment of interest to both sides, notably between their small- and medium-sized enterprises.

Technological development and intellectual property

Article 8

For the purposes of achieving effective collaboration between enterprises in Mexico and enterprises in the Community in the fields of the transfer of technology, the licensing of industrial and other intellectual property, joint investment and capital venture financing, the Parties agree:

- to identify the branches or sectors of industry on which cooperation will centre and the means to promote industrial cooperation with a heavy technological bias,
- to cooperate in encouraging the mobilization of financial resources to support joint projects between enterprises in Mexico and enterprises in the Community the aim of which is to apply new findings in technology to industry,
- to support the training of qualified technological research personnel,
- to promote innovation by means of an exchange of information on the programmes each side is conducting for that purpose, periodic exchanges of experience stemming from the running of innovation programmes and by means of exchange schemes at Mexican and Community institutions for officials of both Parties responsible for promoting innovation.

Article 9

The Contracting Parties undertake to ensure, so far as their laws, regulations and policies allow, that suitable, effective and increased protection is provided for intellectual property rights, including commercial and industrial rights, copyright

and marks of origin. They agree furthermore to promote the signing of agreements in these fields and to facilitate as far as possible access to data banks and data bases.

Cooperation concerning standards

Article 10

Without prejudice to their international obligations, within the scope of their responsibilities, and in accordance with their laws, the Contracting Parties shall take steps to reduce differences in respect of weights and measures, standardization and certification by promoting the use of compatible systems of standards and certification. To that end, they shall encourage the following in particular:

- establishing links between experts in order to facilitate exchanges of information and studies on weights and measures, standards, and quality control, promotion and certification,
- the promotion of interchange and contact between bodies and institutions specializing in these fields,
- promoting measures aimed at achieving mutual recognition of systems of calibration and quality certification and of equivalence of standards in the areas covered by regulation,
- promoting the interchange of information and contacts in areas of mutual interest, especially health, environmental and safety requirements, requirements concerning trade information, technical requirements relating to standards and quality certification, and practice connected with intra-Community trade,
- developing technical assistance in connection with weights and measures and the calibration of measurement standards and in connection with quality promotion programmes,
- holding consultations to ensure that standards do not constitute an unnecessary barrier to trade.

CHAPTER II

Trade cooperation

Article 11

The Contracting Parties shall grant each other most-favoured nation treatment in trade, in accordance with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

The Parties reaffirm their will to conduct trade between them in accordance with that Agreement.

Expansion of trade

Article 12

The Contracting Parties declare their common interest in strengthening their trade relations and undertake to promote, within the framework of the current legislation of each of the Parties, the expansion and diversification of trade between them.

To those ends, the Parties undertake to exchange information of as detailed a nature as possible.

Article 13

The Contracting Parties agree to promote the interchange of information and to hold consultations on the issues of tariffs, health and technical requirements, laws and trade practices, and on any anti-dumping or countervailing duties which might apply.

Article 14

Without prejudice to their rights and obligations under the GATT, the Contracting Parties undertake to consult each other on any disputes which may arise in connection with trade.

If one of the Parties requests such consultation, it shall take place at the earliest opportunity. The Contracting Parties making the request shall provide the other Party with all the information necessary for a detailed examination of the situation.

Attempts shall be made through such consultations to resolve trade disputes as rapidly as possible.

Article 15

In trade between the Contracting Parties, should allegations arise of dumping or subsidy leading to investigation by the competent authorities, each Contracting Party undertakes to examine requests made by the other Party in connection with the case in question.

The competent authorities of the Contracting Parties shall inform the interested parties at their request of the essential facts and considerations which will serve as the basis for a solution. Such information shall be provided before the definitive conclusions of the investigation are reached, and in sufficient time for the parties involved to defend their interests.

Before definitive anti-dumping and countervailing duties are imposed, the Contracting Parties shall do their utmost to bring about a constructive solution to the problem.

Article 16

The Contracting Parties agree to promote contacts and cooperation between their economic operators and

institutions, with the aim of giving rise to concrete economic cooperation projects which can contribute to the development and diversification of their trade.

Both Parties recognize the important role played by business organizations such as the Mexico-European Community Business Council in making proposals for the diversification and intensification of bilateral relations, and they reaffirm their interest in supporting the work of such organizations.

Article 17

1. In the interests of bringing about more active cooperation in trade, the Contracting Parties undertake to take steps including the following:

- promoting meetings, interchange and contacts between entrepreneurs of each of the Parties, with the aim of identifying goods suitable for sale on the market of the other Party,
- facilitating cooperation between their customs services, in particular as regards vocational training, the simplification of procedures and detecting violations of customs regulations,
- encouraging and providing support for trade promotion activities such as seminars, symposia, fairs and trade and industrial exhibitions, trade visits, reciprocal visits and business weeks,
- providing support for their own organizations and firms, to enable them to engage in activities which are of benefit to both sides.

2. Where the competent authorities of both Parties so decide, the Community may provide financing for some of the trade promotion activities referred to in this Article, including market research for goods which are of interest to Mexico.

Temporary importation of goods

Article 18

The Contracting Parties undertake to consider tax and duty exemption for temporary import into their territory of goods which are covered by international agreements concerning this matter.

CHAPTER III

Cooperation in science and technology

Article 19

In accordance with their mutual interest and the aims of their policies on science, the Contracting Parties undertake to

promote cooperation in science and technology aimed in particular at encouraging exchanges of scientists between Mexico and the Member States of the Community in the interests of establishing permanent links between the two scientific communities, increasing research capacity, stimulating technological innovation, promoting the transfer of technology and encouraging association between research centres.

Article 20

In order to further cooperation in science and technology, the Parties agree to select jointly the areas which are of interest to both sides, and they shall pay particular attention to subjects including the following: improvement of the quality of life of the population, the environment and protection of natural resources, the applications of biotechnology in medicine and agriculture and new materials.

Article 21

With the aim of attaining the aims set, the Contracting Parties shall promote and stimulate activities including the following: training of high-calibre staff, joint research projects and the interchange of scientific information through seminars, workshops, congresses and working meetings between the scientific communities of both Parties. Such activities may be conducted among institutions, bodies and undertakings in the public or private sectors.

Article 22

Cooperation on high-technology projects, shall specify, *inter alia*, the form and means of each operations, its aims and scientific and technological content and provisions concerning the mobility of technical staff and participation of representatives of both Parties.

The Contracting Parties undertake to set out suitable procedures to ensure the widest possible participation of their scientists and research centres in cooperation between the Parties.

CHAPTER IV

OTHER FIELDS OF COOPERATION

Agriculture and rural sector

Article 23

The Contracting Parties shall establish cooperation in the areas of agriculture, forestry and agro-industry.

1. To these ends, in a spirit of cooperation and goodwill and taking into account the laws of both Parties on such issues, the Contracting Parties shall examine:

- (a) opportunities for developing trade in agricultural, forestry and agro-industrial products;
- (b) health, plant health and environmental measures, and their consequences, ensuring that they do not hamper trade.

2. The Contracting Parties shall furthermore endeavour to promote cooperation concerning:

- (a) the development of Mexican agriculture in general;
- (b) the protection and development of forestry resources, particularly in relation to tropical forests;
- (c) the agricultural and rural environments;
- (d) training in science and agricultural technology;
- (e) agricultural research;
- (f) contact between the Parties' agricultural producers, in the interests of facilitating trade operations and investments;
- (g) agricultural statistics.

Fisheries

Article 24

The Contracting Parties recognize the importance of bringing about a *rapprochement* between their respective interests as regards fisheries, and they will as a result seek to strengthen and develop cooperation concerning fisheries by formulating and undertaking specific programmes addressing the economic, trade-related, scientific and technical aspects of that field. They shall also encourage the joint involvement of the Community and Mexican private sectors in the development of fisheries.

The launching of specific cooperation programmes under this Agreement shall not exclude the possibility of agreeing other mechanisms relating to fisheries.

Mining

Article 25

The Contracting Parties agree to promote cooperation in mining, chiefly through the implementation of operations aimed at the following:

- promoting the involvement of enterprises of the Member States of the Community in exploration, exploitation and profitable use of minerals in Mexico, in accordance with that country's laws in the field concerned,

- undertaking activities to encourage small- and medium-sized mining enterprises,
- carrying out an interchange of experience and technology relating to mining exploration and exploitation, and performing joint research to increase the opportunities for technological development.

Information technology and telecommunications

Article 26

The Contracting Parties recognize that information technology and telecommunications constitute a key element of modern society, and that they are vital to its economic and social development.

They declare themselves prepared to promote cooperation in fields of common interest, chiefly in respect of the following:

- standardization, testing and certification relating to information technology and telecommunications,
- earth- and space-based telecommunications such as transport networks, satellites, fibre optics, ISDN, data transmission, telephone systems for rural areas and mobile telephone systems,
- electronics and micro-electronics,
- information and automation,
- high-definition television,
- research and development in new information technologies and telecommunications.

Such cooperation shall take place in particular through:

- collaboration between experts,
- expert services, studies and interchange of information,
- training of scientists and technicians,
- formulation and implementation of projects of mutual benefit,
- promotion of investment and joint investment,
- promotion of joint projects relating to research and development, the establishment of information networks and data banks linking universities, research centres, testing laboratories, enterprises and operators in the public and private sectors in the Community and Mexico.

The Parties agree to step up the development of cooperation on space research and development, Mexico's new generation of satellites and experimental low-orbit satellites.

The Parties shall set up specific mechanisms for implementing cooperation in this field.

Investment promotion shall be the subject of special efforts involving information and consultation.

Transport

Article 27

1. Recognizing the importance of transport to economic development and the intensification of trade, the Contracting Parties shall adopt the necessary measures to further cooperation in this field.

2. Cooperation in the area of air, road and rail transport and infrastructure shall centre on the following:

- (a) the interchange of information on the Parties' policies and subjects of common interest;
- (b) economic, legal and technical training programmes aimed at economic operators and those in charge of public-sector departments;
- (c) technical assistance, particularly in connection with programmes for the modernization of infrastructure, replacement of rolling stock, vehicles and craft, and the introduction of technology relating to combined and multi-mode transport.

Public health

Article 28

The Contracting Parties agree to cooperate in the field of public health, with the aim of raising the standard of living and quality of life, particularly in the sectors which are most disadvantaged. In the interests of attaining these aims, the Parties undertake to conduct joint research, transfers of technology, and interchanges of experience and technical assistance, notably including measures relating to the following:

- the management and administration of the departments with responsibility for this field,
- the organization of scientific meetings and exchanges of specialists,
- the undertaking of programmes of vocational training,
- programmes and projects for the improvement of health and social welfare in urban and rural areas.

Drug abuse control

Article 29

1. The Contracting Parties undertake, in conformity with their respective legal provisions, to coordinate and step up their efforts to prevent and reduce the production, trafficking and consumption of drugs.

2. Such cooperation shall include the following:

- projects for training, education, health-promotion and rehabilitation of addicts, including projects for the reintegration of addicts into work and social environments,
- research programmes and projects,
- measures to encourage alternative economic opportunities,
- the interchange of all relevant information, including that relating to money laundering.

3. Financing for the operations referred to may be contributed by public and private institutions and national, regional or international organizations, in consultation with the Mexican Government and the appropriate Community and Member State bodies.

Energy

Article 30

The Contracting Parties recognize the importance of the energy sector to economic and social development and are prepared to step up cooperation relating to the saving and efficient use of energy. Such cooperation shall include the assessment of the usable energy potential of alternative resources and the application of technology for the saving of energy to industrial processes.

To these ends, the Parties agree to promote:

- the conduct of joint studies and research,
- contacts between those responsible for energy planning,
- the execution of joint programmes and projects in this field.

The environment

Article 31

1. The Contracting Parties undertake to establish cooperation relating to the protection and improvement of the environment in respect of the problems caused by the contamination of water, soil and air, erosion, desertification, deforestation and over-exploitation of natural resources and the growth of towns, and relating to the productive conservation of forest and aquatic flora and fauna.

2. To these ends, the Contracting Parties shall endeavour to cooperate on environmental measures which seek in particular:

- (a) to establish and strengthen public and private environmental structures;

- (b) to introduce laws, standards and models;
- (c) to conduct research, training, information and public awareness measures;
- (d) to execute studies and projects and supply technical assistance;
- (e) to organize meetings, seminars, workshops, conferences and visits by officials, experts, technical personnel, entrepreneurs and others active in the field of the environment;
- (f) the interchange of information and experience on major environmental issues of global importance;
- (g) to conduct joint study and research programmes and projects relating to disasters and disaster prevention.

3. The Parties agree to cooperate on all issues relating to water, including meteorology and climatology, and on research and development of water resource technologies, management, use and conservation.

Tourism

Article 32

The Contracting Parties shall promote, in accordance with their laws, cooperation on tourism, which is to be achieved through specific measures including:

- exchanges of officials and experts dealing with tourism, the interchange of information and statistics relating to this field and the transfer of technology,
- the development of activities to stimulate tourist traffic,
- the advancement of training schemes intended in particular to support hotel operation and management,
- joint participation in fairs and exhibitions aimed at increasing tourist flows.

Social matters and development planning

Article 33

1. The Community agrees to support measures to develop cooperation on social and economic planning, with particular reference to the interchange of information and know-how relating to methods and the preparation and execution of special programmes in this field. Such cooperation shall be achieved chiefly by means of:

- (a) interchanges of information;
- (b) reciprocal visits and exchanges of experts;

- (c) the organization of seminars, symposia and conferences;
- (d) the provision of technical assistance for administering social services;
- (e) activities on the part of non-governmental organizations to supplement official action in this field.

2. The Contracting Parties agree to discuss in detail programmes and projects concerning social development and aimed at meeting the essential needs of the most deprived sections of the population. Such cooperation shall include in particular measures to combat extreme poverty and to create new sources of employment.

Government

Article 34

The Contracting Parties shall cooperate in matters relating to government and institutions at national, regional and local levels.

To these ends, the Contracting Parties undertake:

- to promote meetings, visits, exchanges of information and technical personnel, seminars and training courses for civil servants and staff of national, state and local government departments,
- to exchange information on programmes aimed at improving the efficiency of such sections of government service.

Information, communication and culture

Article 35

The Contracting Parties undertake to act jointly in the fields of information and communication in order to further the cultural links which already exist between the Parties.

These measures shall take the form, in particular, of:

- interchange of information in issues of common interest concerning culture and information,
- preparatory studies and technical assistance for the preservation of cultural heritage,
- organization of cultural events,
- cultural exchanges,
- academic exchanges,
- translation of literary works.

Training

Article 36

The Contracting Parties shall establish specific training programmes in areas of common interest. Cooperation on training shall take into account the contribution of new technologies in the field.

The Contracting Parties agree to take the necessary steps to promote the training of technical and executive staff, giving priority to measures with a considerable multiplier effect aimed at training and technical staff already occupying positions of responsibility in public- and private-sector undertakings, government departments, public service and economic organizations. Such cooperation shall take place through specific programmes for exchanges of experts, know-how and techniques between Mexican and European training institutions, particularly in the technical, scientific and technical fields.

Regional cooperation

Article 37

The Contracting Parties shall promote measures aimed at furthering cooperation with other countries within the framework of the agreements to which they are party. Particular priority shall be given to measures seeking to:

- develop trade within the region;
- promote cooperation on the environment at regional level,
- strengthen regional institutions and help to set in train common policies and activities,
- encourage the development of regional communications.

Resources for undertaking cooperation

Article 38

In order to facilitate the achievement of the cooperation aims provided for in this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall apply the appropriate financial and other resources in accordance with their means and respective mechanisms.

CHAPTER V

Joint Committee

Article 39

1. The Contracting Parties shall establish under this Agreement a Joint Committee consisting of representatives of

the Community, on the one hand, and representatives of Mexico, on the other.

2. The Joint Committee shall:

- (a) see to the proper functioning of this Agreement;
- (b) agree on, and coordinate, activities, projects and specific operations in relation to the aims of this Agreement and propose means of implementing them;
- (c) study the development of trade and cooperation between the Parties;
- (d) make any recommendations required to promote the expansion of trade and intensify and diversify cooperation;
- (e) seek appropriate methods of forestalling problems which might arise in areas covered by the Agreement;
- (f) encourage and follow up the activities of the Business Council and other bodies which can contribute to the expansion of relations between the Parties.

3. The Joint Committee may set up specialized subcommittees and working parties to assist it in the performance of its duties. These subcommittees and working parties shall make detailed reports on their activities to the Joint Committee at each of its meetings.

4. The Joint Committee shall meet at least once a year, in Mexico City and Brussels alternately. Special meetings may be convened by mutual agreement, at the request of either Contracting Party. The office of the chairman of the Joint Committee shall be held alternately by each of the Contracting Parties.

5. The agenda for meetings of the Joint Committee shall be determined by agreement between the Parties.

CHAPTER VI

FINAL PROVISIONS

Other arrangements

Article 40

1. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Treaties establishing the European Communities, neither this Agreement nor any action taken under it shall in any way affect the powers of the Member States of the Communities to undertake bilateral activities with Mexico in the field of economic cooperation or where appropriate to conclude new economic cooperation agreements with Mexico.

2. Without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 1 concerning economic cooperation, the provisions of this Agreement shall replace the provisions of the agreements

concluded between the Member States of the Communities and Mexico where such provisions are either incompatible with, or identical to, the provisions of this Agreement.

Territorial application

Article 41

This Agreement shall apply, on the one hand, to the territories in which the Treaty establishing the Community is applied and under the conditions laid down in that Treaty and, on the other, to the territory of Mexico.

Annexes

Article 42

The Annexes shall form an integral part of this Agreement.

Entry into force and tacit renewal

Article 43

This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Contracting Parties notify each other of the completion of the legal procedures necessary for this purpose; it shall be concluded for a period

of five years. It shall be renewed tacitly on a yearly basis unless one of the Contracting Parties denounces it to the other Party in writing six months before the date of expiry.

Authentic texts

Article 44

This Agreement is drawn up in duplicate in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish languages, each text being equally authentic.

Future developments

Article 45

1. The Contracting Parties may by mutual consent expand this Agreement with a view to enhancing the levels of cooperation and supplementing them by means of agreements on specific sectors or activities.
2. With regard to the implementation of this Agreement, either of the Contracting Parties may put forward suggestions for widening the scope of cooperation, taking into account the experience gained in its application.

En fe de lo cual, los plenipotenciarios abajo firmantes suscriben el presente Acuerdo marco.

Til bekræftelse heraf har undertegnede befuldmægtigede underskrevet denne rammeaftale.

Zu Urkund dessen haben die unterzeichneten Bevollmächtigten ihre Unterschriften unter dieses Rahmenabkommen gesetzt.

Εἰς πίστωση των ανωτέρω, οι υπογεγραμμένοι πληρεξούσιοι ἔθεσαν τις υπογραφές τους στην παρούσα συμφωνία-πλαίσιο.

In witness whereof the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have signed this Framework Agreement.

En foi de quoi, les plénipotentiaires soussignés ont apposé leurs signatures au bas du présent accord-cadre.

In fede di che, i plenipotenziari sottoscritti hanno apposto le loro firme in calce al presente accordo quadro.

Ten blijke waarvan de ondergetekende gevolmachtigden hun handtekening onder deze Kaderovereenkomst hebben gesteld.

Em fé do que, os plenipotenciários abaixo assinados apuseram as suas assinaturas no final do presente acordo-quadro.

Hecho en Luxemburgo, el veintiseis de abril de mil novecientos noventa y uno.

Udfærdiget i Luxembourg, den seksogtyvende april nitten hundrede og enoghalvfems.

Geschehen zu Luxemburg am sechszwanzigsten April neunzehnhunderteinundneunzig.

Έγινε στο Λουξεμβούργο, στις είκοσι έξι Απριλίου χίλια εννιακόσια ενενήντα ένα.

Done at Luxembourg on the twenty-sixth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one.

Fait à Luxembourg, le vingt-six avril mil neuf cent quatre-vingt-onze.

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Feito no Luxemburgo, em vinte e seis de Abril de mil novecentos e noventa e um.

Por el Consejo de las Comunidades Europeas

For Rådet for De Europæiske Fællesskaber

Für den Rat der Europäischen Gemeinschaften

Για το Συμβούλιο των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων

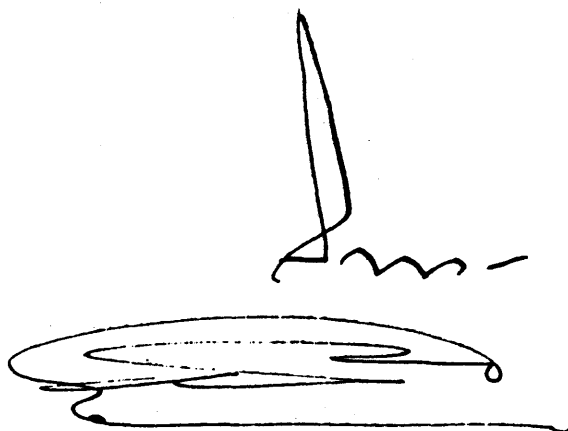
For the Council of the European Communities

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Per il Consiglio delle Comunità europee

Voor de Raad van de Europese Gemeenschappen

Pelo Conselho das Comunidades Europeias



Por el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos

For regeringen for De Forenede Mexicanske Stater

Für die Regierung der Vereinigten Mexikanischen Staaten

Για την Κυβέρνηση των Ηνωμένων Πολιτειών του Μεξικού

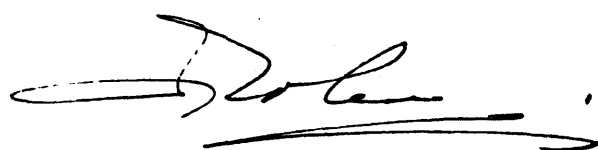
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Pelo Governo dos Estados Unidos Mexicanos



*ANNEX I***UNILATERAL DECLARATION BY THE COMMUNITY ON OUTWARD PROCESSING
ARRANGEMENTS**

With administrators and potential users in Mexico in mind, the Community will take steps to provide information on how to take the maximum advantage of the opportunities offered by Community rules on outward processing, which consists of the export of goods from the Community with a view to subsequent re-import into the Community from Mexico after processing, working or repair.

*ANNEX II***DECLARATION BY THE COMMUNITY ON THE GSP**

The European Economic Community confirms the importance of the Generalized System of Preferences — implemented by it in accordance with Resolution No 21 (II) of the Second United Nations Conference on Trade and Development — for developing countries' trade.

With a view to enabling Mexico to make the best and fullest possible use of the European Economic Community's preference scheme, the Community hereby declares its willingness to examine suggestions from Mexico for identifying ways of enabling that country to derive maximum benefit from the opportunities offered by the scheme in question.

The Community will conduct training seminars on the use of the Generalized System of Preferences for administrators and users in Mexico, with a view to enabling them to derive the greatest possible advantage from the System.

ANNEX III

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS ON MARITIME TRANSPORT

Letter No 1

Sir,

We should be grateful if you would confirm that your Government agrees with the following:

When the Agreement on cooperation between the European Economic Community and Mexico was signed, the Parties undertook to address in the appropriate manner issues relating to the operation of shipping, particularly where the development of trade might be hindered. Mutually satisfactory solutions on shipping will be sought, while the principle of free and fair competition on a commercial basis is observed.

It has likewise been agreed that such issues should also be discussed by the Joint Committee.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of our highest consideration.

*On behalf of the
Council of the European Communities*

Letter No 2

Sirs,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter and to confirm that my Government agrees with the following:

'When the Agreement on cooperation between the European Economic Community and Mexico was signed, the Parties undertook to address in the appropriate manner issues relating to the operation of shipping, particularly where the development of trade might be hindered. Mutually satisfactory solutions on shipping will be sought, while the principle of free and fair competition on a commercial basis is observed.

It has likewise been agreed that such issues should also be discussed by the Joint Committee.'

Please accept, Gentlemen, the assurance of my highest consideration.

*For the Government
of the United Mexican States*

**Information concerning the date of entry into force of the Framework Agreement for Cooperation
between the European Economic Community and the United States of Mexico ⁽¹⁾**

Since the exchange of instruments notifying completion of the procedures necessary for the entry into force of this Agreement, signed in Luxembourg on 26 April 1991, was completed on 24 October 1991, this Agreement entered into force, in accordance with Article 43 thereof, on 1 November 1991.

⁽¹⁾ See page 2 of this Official Journal.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 19 November 1991

on the protection of animals during transport and amending Directives 90/425/EEC and 91/496/EEC

(91/628/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽³⁾,

Whereas in its resolution of 20 February 1987 on animal welfare policy ⁽⁴⁾, the European Parliament called upon the Commission to put forward proposals on the protection of animals during transport;

Whereas in order to eliminate technical barriers to trade in live animals and to allow the market organizations in question to operate smoothly, while ensuring a satisfactory level of protection for the animals concerned, the Community has adopted rules in this field;

Whereas all Member States have ratified the European Convention for the protection of animals during international transport and have signed the additional Protocol enabling the Community as such to accede to the said Convention;

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No 3626/82 of 3 December 1982 on the implementation in the Community of the Convention on international trade in endangered species of wild fauna and flora ⁽⁵⁾, hereinafter referred to as 'Cites', regulates the conditions of transport of certain species;

Whereas Directive 77/489/EEC ⁽⁶⁾ laid down rules on the protection of animals during international transport; whereas Directive 81/389/EEC ⁽⁷⁾ established measures for

the implementation of Directive 77/489/EEC, and in particular introduced controls at the internal frontiers of the Community;

Whereas in order to achieve the same objectives, and in particular the protection of animals during transport, it is necessary in the context of establishing the internal market to modify the rules of Directive 90/425/EEC ⁽⁸⁾, *inter alia* with a view to harmonizing prior checks relating to animal welfare during transport;

Whereas within this framework the transport of animals within, to and from the Community must be covered, and systematic checks at the internal frontiers of the Community must be abolished;

Whereas for reasons of animal welfare the transport over long distances of animals, including animals for slaughter, should be reduced as far as possible;

Whereas the rules proposed must ensure more effective protection of animals during transport;

Whereas Directive 91/496/EEC ⁽⁹⁾ should be amended so as to adapt it to this Directive; whereas Directives 77/489/EEC and 81/389/EEC should furthermore be repealed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

CHAPTER I

General provisions

Article 1

1. This Directive applies to the transport of:
 - (a) domestic solipeds and domestic animals of the bovine, ovine, caprine and porcine species;
 - (b) poultry, domestic birds and domestic rabbits;
 - (c) domestic cats and domestic dogs;
 - (d) other mammals and birds;
 - (e) other vertebrate animals and cold-blooded animals.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 29. Directive as last amended by Directive 91/496/EEC (OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56).

⁽⁹⁾ OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 214, 21. 8. 1989, p. 36 and OJ No C 154, 23. 6. 1990, p. 7.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 113, 7. 5. 1990, p. 206.

⁽³⁾ OJ No C 56, 7. 3. 1990, p. 29.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No C 76, 7. 3. 1987, p. 185.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No L 384, 31. 12. 1982, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EEC) No 197/90 (OJ No L 29, 31. 1. 1990, p. 1).

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 200, 8. 8. 1977, p. 10.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ No L 150, 6. 6. 1981, p. 1. Directive as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3768/85 (OJ No L 362, 31. 12. 1985, p. 8).

2. This Directive does not apply:

- (a) to travellers transporting pet animals for non-profit-making purposes;
- (b) without prejudice to the relevant national provisions, to the transport of animals carried out:
 - up to a maximum distance of 50 km counted from the start of the transport of the animals to the place of destination, or
 - by stock farmers or fatteners using agricultural vehicles or means of transport belonging to them in cases where the geographical circumstances call for non-profit-making seasonal transhumance of certain types of animal.
- where, although the distance referred to in the first indent is over 50 km, the animals have had a rest period of a length to be determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17 and have been watered and fed before being reloaded;
- (f) 'place of destination', the place at which an animal is finally unloaded from a means of transport, but excluding a staging point or a transfer point;
- (g) 'journey', transport from place of departure to place of destination.

Article 2

1. For the purposes of this Directive, the definitions in Article 2 of Directives 89/662/EEC ⁽¹⁾, 90/425/EEC, 90/675/EEC ⁽²⁾ and Directive 91/496/EEC shall apply as necessary.

2. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) 'means of transport', those parts of road vehicles, rail vehicles, ships and aircraft used for loading and carrying animals, as well as containers for land, sea or air transport;
- (b) 'transport', any movement of animals, effected by a means of transport, which involves loading and unloading the animals;
- (c) 'staging point', a place where the journey is interrupted to rest, feed or water the animals;
- (d) 'transfer point', a place where transport is interrupted to transfer animals from one means of transport to another;
- (e) 'place of departure', the place at which, without prejudice to the provisions of Article 1 (2) (b), the animal is first loaded on to a means of transport, or any place where the animals have been unloaded and accommodated for at least 10 hours, watered, fed and, if necessary, cared for, but excluding any staging or transfer point.

Markets and assembly centres approved in accordance with Community legislation may also be regarded as places of departure:

- where the first place of loading of the animals is less than 50 km from the said markets or assembly centres,

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 395, 30. 12. 1989, p. 13. Directive as last amended by Directive 91/496/EEC (OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56).

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 373, 31. 12. 1990, p. 1. Directive as last amended by Directive 91/496/EEC (OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56).

CHAPTER II

Transport and controls in Community territory

Article 3

1. Member States shall ensure that:

- (a) the transport of animals within, to and from each Member State shall be effected in accordance with this Directive and, in respect of the animals referred to in:
 - Article 1 (a), the provisions of Chapter I of the Annex,
 - Article 1 (b), the provisions of Chapter II of the Annex,
 - Article 1 (c), the provisions of Chapter III of the Annex,
 - Article 1 (d), the provisions of Chapter IV of the Annex,
 - Article 1 (e), the provisions of Chapter V of the Annex;
- (b) no animal shall be transported unless it is fit for the intended journey and unless suitable provisions have been made for its care during the journey and on arrival at the place of destination. Animals that are ill or injured shall not be considered fit for transport. However, this provision shall not apply to:
 - (i) animals that are slightly injured or ill whose transport would not cause unnecessary suffering;
 - (ii) animals that are transported for scientific research purposes approved by the competent authority;
- (c) animals that fall ill or are injured during transport shall receive first-aid treatment as soon as possible; they shall be given appropriate veterinary treatment and if necessary undergo emergency slaughter in a way which does not cause them any unnecessary suffering.

2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1 (b), Member States may permit the transport of animals for emergency veterinary treatment or slaughter under conditions which do not meet the requirements of this Directive. Member States shall ensure that any such transport is permitted only where no unnecessary suffering or ill treatment is caused to the animals concerned. If necessary, specific rules for the application of this paragraph shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17.

3. Without prejudice to the requirements laid down in points 1 (a) and (b) and in the Annex to this Directive, the Council, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, shall lay down appropriate additional conditions for the transport of certain types of animal such as solipeds, wild birds and marine mammals in order to safeguard their welfare.

Pending implementation of these provisions, Member States may, subject to the general provisions of the Treaty, apply relevant national additional rules.

Article 4

Member States shall ensure that animals are identified and registered throughout their journey in accordance with Article 3 (1) (c) of Directive 90/425/EEC and are accompanied by the documentation required by Community or national legislation enabling the competent authority to check:

- their origin and their ownership,
- their place of departure and place of destination,
- the date and time of departure.

Article 5

Member States shall ensure that:

1. any natural or legal person transporting animals for profit:
 - (a) is registered in a manner enabling the competent authority to check that the requirements of this Directive are complied with;
 - (b) transports animals covered by this Directive using means of transport meeting the requirements laid down in the Annex;
 - (c) does not transport any animal, or cause any animal to be transported, in a way which may cause injury or unnecessary suffering to that animal;
2. the person in charge of the animal transport undertaking:
 - (a) entrusts the transport to staff who possess the necessary knowledge to administer any appropriate care to the animals transported;
 - (b) draws up, for journeys exceeding 24 hours from the place of departure and taking account of the place of destination, an itinerary — including any staging

and transfer points — whereby it can be ensured that the animals are rested, fed and watered and, if necessary, unloaded and given accommodation in accordance with the requirements of this Directive for the type of animal to be transported;

- (c) is able, according to the species transported and where the journey takes more than 24 hours, to demonstrate that steps have been taken to meet the animals' needs for food and water during the journey even where the route plan is changed or where the journey is interrupted for reasons beyond his control;
 - (d) ensures that the animals are transported without delay to their place of destination, notwithstanding drivers' normal rest periods;
 - (e) ensures that during the journey the consignment is accompanied by the original of the route plan referred to in (b), with the addition of the date, place and time of departure;
 - (f) keeps for a period fixed by the competent authority a second copy of the abovementioned route plan, to be submitted on request to the competent authority for verification;
 - (g) where animals are travelling unaccompanied, ensures that the consignor has presented them for transport in accordance with the provisions of this Directive and that the consignee is prepared to receive them;
3. the staging points, agreed upon in advance by the person in charge referred to at 2, are regularly checked by the competent authority.

Article 6

1. Directive 90/425/EEC shall be amended as follows:

- (a) the third paragraph of Article 1 shall be replaced by the following:

'This Directive shall not affect checks carried out as part of tasks conducted in a non-discriminatory manner by authorities responsible for the general application of laws in a Member State.';

- (b) the following reference shall be added to section I of Annex A:

'Council Directive 91/628/EEC of 19 November 1991 on the protection of animals during transport and amending Directives 90/425/EEC and 91/496/EEC. (OJ No L 340, 11. 12. 1991, p. 17).'

2. The certificates or documents referred to in Article 3 of Directive 90/425/EEC shall be supplemented in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17, in order to take account of the requirements of this Directive.

3. The exchange of information between authorities in compliance with the requirements of this Directive must be integrated into the computerized system provided for in Article 20 of Directive 90/425/EEC (Animo) and, as regards imports from third countries, into the Shift project, in accordance with Article 12 (4) of Directive 91/496/EEC.

The detailed rules for the application of this paragraph shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17.

Article 7

1. Member States shall ensure that the necessary measures are taken to prevent or reduce to a minimum any delay during transport or suffering by animals when strikes or other unforeseeable circumstances impede the application of this Directive. In particular, special arrangements shall be made at ports, airports, railway stations, marshalling yards, and border inspection posts referred to in Article 6 of Directive 91/496/EEC to expedite the transport of animals under conditions in keeping with the requirements of this Directive.

2. Without prejudice to Community animal health requirements laid down elsewhere, no consignment of animals shall be detained during transport unless it is strictly necessary for the welfare of the animals. If any consignment of animals has to be detained during transport for more than two hours, appropriate arrangements shall be made for the care of the animals and, where necessary, their unloading and accommodation.

Article 8

Member States shall ensure that, in accordance with the principles and rules of control laid down in Directive 90/425/EEC, the competent authorities check that the requirements of this Directive have been complied with, by carrying out non-discriminatory inspections of:

- (a) means of transport and animals arriving at their place of destination;
- (b) means of transport and animals at markets, at places of departure, at staging points and at transfer points;
- (c) the particulars on the accompanying documents.

Furthermore, where the competent authority of a Member State has information leading it to suspect an infringement, checks may also be carried out during the transport of animals on its territory.

This Article shall not affect checks carried out as part of tasks conducted in a non-discriminatory manner by authorities responsible for the general application of laws in a Member State.

Article 9

1. If it is found in the course of transport that the provisions of this Directive are not being or have not been complied with, the competent authority of the place at which such a finding is made shall require the person in charge of the means of transport to take any action which the competent authority considers necessary in order to safeguard the welfare of the animals concerned.

Depending on the circumstances of each case, such action may include:

- (a) arranging for the journey to be completed or the animals to be returned to their place of departure by the most direct route, provided that this course of action would not cause unnecessary suffering to the animals;
- (b) arranging for the animals to be held in suitable accommodation with appropriate care until the problem is resolved;
- (c) arranging for the humane slaughter of the animals. The destination and use of the carcasses of these animals shall be governed by the provisions laid down in Directive 64/433/EEC ⁽¹⁾.

2. If the person in charge of the means of transport fails to comply with the instructions of the competent authority, the latter shall immediately have the measures in question carried out and shall recover the costs of such measures in the appropriate manner.

3. Rights of appeal existing under the laws in force in the Member States against decisions by the competent authorities shall not be affected by this Directive.

Decisions taken by the competent authorities of the Member States and the reasons for such decisions shall be notified to the consignor or his representative and to the competent authority of the Member State of dispatch.

If the consignor or his representative so requests, the said decisions and reasons shall be forwarded to him in writing with details of the rights of appeal which are available to him under the law in force in the Member State of destination and of the procedure and time limits applicable.

However, in the event of a dispute, the two parties concerned may, if they so agree, within a maximum period of one month, submit the dispute for the assessment of an expert whose name appears on a list of Community experts to be drawn up by the Commission.

Such experts shall issue their opinions within not more than 72 hours. The parties shall abide by the expert's opinion, with due regard for Community veterinary legislation.

⁽¹⁾ As amended and consolidated by Directive 91/497/EEC (OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 68).

Article 10

1. Commission experts may, to the extent necessary for uniform application of this Directive, carry out on-the-spot checks in collaboration with the competent authorities of the Member States. The Member State in whose territory the inspections are carried out shall provide the experts with any assistance required for the accomplishment of their task. The Commission shall inform the Member States of the results of these checks.

2. Detailed rules for the application of this Article shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17.

CHAPTER III

Importation from third countries

Article 11

1. The rules laid down by Directive 91/496/EEC shall apply, in particular with regard to the organization of and follow-up to the checks.

2. The importation, transit and transport into and through Community territory of live animals covered by this Directive coming from third countries shall be authorized only if the exporter and/or importer gives a written undertaking to comply with the requirements of this Directive and has made arrangements to comply with them.

3. With effect from 1 January 1993, the first subparagraph of Article 4 (2) (d) of Directive 91/496/EEC shall be replaced by the following:

‘(d) verification of compliance with the requirements of Council Directive 91/628/EEC of 19 November 1991 on the protection of animals during transport and amending Directives 90/425/EEC and 91/496/EEC (*).

(*) OJ No L 340, 11. 12. 1991, p. 17’.

4. The certificate or documents provided for in the third indent of Article 4 (1) of Directive 91/496/EEC shall be supplemented in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17, in order to take account of the requirements of this Directive.

Pending adoption of these provisions, the relevant national rules shall apply, subject to the general rules laid down by the Treaty.

CHAPTER IV

Final provisions

Article 12

The rules and information procedures set out in Directive 89/608/EEC ⁽¹⁾ shall apply *mutatis mutandis* for the purposes of this Directive.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 351, 2. 12. 1989, p. 34.

Article 13

1. Before 1 July 1992, the Commission shall submit a report drawn up on the basis of an opinion from the Scientific Veterinary Committee, possibly accompanied by proposals, on:

- the question of fixing maximum journey times for certain types of animal;
- the intervals laid down in Chapter I, A (2) (d) of the Annex;
- the length of the rest provided for in Article 5 (2) (b);
- the loading density standards applicable to the transport of certain types of animal;
- the standards to be met by means of transport as regards the transport of certain types of animal.

The Council shall act on these proposals by a qualified majority.

2. In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17 and after consulting the Scientific Veterinary Committee, the Commission shall lay down the Community criteria to be met by staging points with regard to the feeding, watering, loading, unloading and, where appropriate, accommodation of certain types of animal.

3. Three years after the implementation of the provisions of this Directive, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report on the experience acquired by the Member States, particularly as regards the provisions referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2, possibly accompanied by proposals to amend those rules, on which the Council shall act by a qualified majority.

4. Pending implementation of the provisions referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2, the relevant national rules shall apply subject to the general rules laid down by the Treaty.

Article 14

The Annexes to this Directive shall be amended by the Council, acting by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, with a view in particular to their adaptation to technological and scientific progress.

Article 15

In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17, the certificates or accompanying documents provided for by Community regulations for the transport of the animals referred to in Article 1 may be supplemented by an attestation from the competent authority within the meaning of Article 2 (6) of Directive 90/425/EEC certifying that the requirements of this Directive have been complied with.

Article 16

The rules regarding animal welfare during transport applicable to the movement of animals in certain parts of the territories referred to in Annex 1 to Directive 90/675/EEC, including, for the Kingdom of Spain, the Canary Islands, to take account of the natural constraints specific to those territories, in particular their remoteness from the mainland part of the Community territory, shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17, on the basis of the information laid down in the second paragraph.

To that end, by 1 July 1992 at the latest, the Member States concerned shall submit to the Commission the specific rules which will be complied with regarding animal welfare during transport when animals are moved within the regions concerned, taking into account the constraints specific to those territories.

Article 17

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be used, matters shall without delay be referred by the Chairman, either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State, to the Standing Veterinary Committee (hereinafter called 'the Committee') set up by Decision 68/361/EEC ⁽¹⁾.

2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft, within a time limit which the Chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. The opinion shall be delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148 (2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Member States within the Committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The Chairman shall not vote.

3. The Commission shall adopt the measures envisaged if they are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee.

4. If the measures envisaged are not in accordance with the opinion of the Committee, or if no opinion is delivered, the Commission shall, without delay submit to the Council a proposal relating to the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.

If, on expiry of a period of three months from the date of referral to the Council, the Council has not acted, the

proposed measures shall be adopted by the Commission save where the Council has decided against the said measures by a simple majority.

Article 18

1. Member States shall take the appropriate specific measures to penalize any infringement of this Directive by natural or legal persons.

2. In the event of repeated infringements of this Directive, or of an infringement resulting in severe suffering to animals, a Member State may, without prejudice to the other sanctions imposed, take the measures necessary to correct the shortcomings noted.

Article 19

This Directive shall apply without prejudice to obligations arising from customs legislation.

Article 20

Directives 77/489/EEC and 81/389/EEC shall be repealed not later than the date referred to in Article 21.

Article 21

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive before 1 January 1993. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

2. When the Member States adopt the measures referred to in paragraph 1, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference on the occasion of their official publication. The methods of making such reference shall be laid down by the Member States.

Article 22

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 November 1991.

For the Council
The President
P. BUKMAN

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 255, 18. 10. 1968, p. 23.

ANNEX

CHAPTER I

DOMESTIC SOLIPEDS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS OF THE BOVINE, OVINE, CAPRINE AND PORCINE SPECIES

A. General provisions

1. Pregnant animals likely to give birth during carriage or animals having given birth during the preceding 48 hours, and newborn animals in which the navel has not completely healed, shall not be considered fit for transportation.
2.
 - (a) Animals shall be provided with adequate space to stand in their natural position and, when necessary, partitions to protect the animals from motion of the means of transport. Unless special conditions for the protection of animals require otherwise, room to lie down shall be provided.
 - (b) The means of transport and containers shall be constructed and operated so as to protect animals against inclement weather and marked differences in climatic conditions. Ventilation and air space shall be in keeping with the conditions of transport and appropriate for the species of animals carried.
 - (c) Means of transport and containers shall be easy to clean, escape-proof and shall be so constructed and operated as to avoid injury and unnecessary suffering to animals and to ensure their safety during transport. Containers in which animals are transported shall be marked with a symbol indicating the presence of live animals and a sign indicating the animals' upright position. They shall allow for the inspection and care of the animals and shall be stowed in a way which does not interfere with ventilation. During transport and handling, containers shall always be kept upright and shall not be exposed to severe jolts or shaking.
 - (d) During transport the animals must receive water and appropriate food at suitable intervals. These intervals shall not exceed 24 hours unless an extension of this period by not more than two hours is required in specific cases in the animals' interest in view in particular of the species being transported, the means of transport used, and the proximity of the place of unloading.
 - (e) Solipeds shall wear halters during transport. This provision need not apply to unbroken foals or to animals transported in individual boxes.
 - (f) When animals are tied, the ropes or other attachments used shall be strong enough not to break during normal transport conditions, and long enough to allow the animals, if necessary, to lie down and to eat and drink, and shall be designed in such a way as to eliminate any danger of strangulation or injury. Animals shall not be tied by the horns, or by nose rings.
 - (g) Solipeds shall be transported in individual stalls or boxes which are designed to protect the animals against jolts. However, such animals may be transported in groups; in that case, care must be taken to ensure that animals which are hostile to one another are not transported together or where they are transported together, that they have their hind hoofs unshod.
 - (h) Solipeds shall not be transported in vehicles with more than one deck.
3.
 - (a) When animals of different species travel in the same means of transport they shall be segregated according to species, except in the case of companion animals where separation would cause distress. Furthermore, special measures shall be taken to avoid adverse reactions which might result from the transport in the same consignment of animals naturally hostile to each other. When animals of different ages are carried in the same means of transport, adults and young animals shall be kept separate; this restriction shall not, however, apply to females travelling with their young which they suckle. Uncastrated adult males shall be kept separate from females. Adult breeding boars shall be separated from each other. This shall also apply to stallions. These provisions shall apply only insofar as the animals have not been raised in compatible groups or are not accustomed to one another.
 - (b) In compartments in which animals are transported, goods shall not be loaded which could prejudice the welfare of the animals.
4. Suitable equipment for loading and unloading of animals such as bridges, ramps or gangways shall be used. The flooring of this equipment shall be constructed so as to prevent slipping, and the equipment shall be provided with lateral protection if necessary. During transport, animals shall not be suspended by mechanical means, nor lifted or dragged by the head, horns, legs, tail or fleece. In addition, the use of electric prods should be avoided as far as possible.

5. The floor of the means of transport or container shall be sufficiently strong to bear the weight of the animals being transported: it shall be of non-slip design; if it has any spaces or perforations these shall be completely smooth to prevent injury to the animals. The floor shall be covered with sufficient litter to absorb droppings unless this can be dealt with in a different way presenting at least the same advantages or unless droppings are regularly removed.
6. In order to ensure the necessary care of the animals during transport, consignments of livestock shall be accompanied by an attendant, except in the following cases:
 - (a) where animals are transported in containers which are secured, adequately ventilated and, where necessary, containing enough food and water, in dispensers which cannot be tipped over, for a journey of twice the anticipated time;
 - (b) where the transporter performs the functions of attendant;
 - (c) where the consignor has appointed an agent to care for the animals at appropriate staging points.
7.
 - (a) The attendant or consignor's agent shall look after the animals, feed and water them and, if necessary, milk them.
 - (b) Cows in milk shall be milked at intervals of about 12 hours but not exceeding 15 hours.
 - (c) To enable the attendant to provide this care, he shall, if necessary, have available a suitable means of lighting.
8. Animals shall be loaded only into means of transport which have been thoroughly cleaned and where appropriate, disinfected. Dead animals, litter and droppings shall be removed as soon as possible.

B. Special provisions for transport by rail

9. Any railway truck used in the transport of animals shall be marked with a symbol indicating the presence of live animals, unless the animals are being transported in containers. If no trucks specially adapted for transport of animals are obtainable, animals shall be carried in covered trucks which are capable of travelling at high speed and are provided with sufficiently large air vents or a ventilation system which is effective even at low speeds. The inside walls of the trucks shall be of wood or other suitable material, completely smooth and fitted with rings or bars, at a suitable height, to which the animals may be attached if necessary.
10. Where they are not transported in individual boxes, solipeds shall be tied in such a way that they are all facing the same side of the vehicle or tied facing each other. However, foals and unbroken animals shall not be tied.
11. Large animals shall be loaded in such a way as to allow an attendant to move between them.
12. When, in accordance with point 3 (a), the segregation of animals is required, this may be effected either by tying them in separate parts of the truck, if its space permits, or by means of suitable partitions.
13. When assembling trains and during all other movement of trucks every precaution shall be taken to avoid jolting of trucks containing animals.

C. Special provisions for transport by road

14. Vehicles shall be escape-proof and so constructed as to ensure the safety of the animals and shall also be equipped with a roof which ensures effective protection against the weather.
15. Tying facilities shall be provided in vehicles used in the transport of large animals which are normally required to be tied. When vehicles are required to be sub-divided, the partitions shall be of rigid construction.
16. Vehicles shall carry suitable equipment complying with the requirements of paragraph 4.

D. Special provisions for transport by water

17. The fittings of vessels shall be such that animals can be transported without injury or unnecessary suffering.

18. Animals shall not be transported on open decks unless in adequately secured containers or other structures, approved by the competent authority and giving adequate protection against sea and weather.
19. Animals shall be tied or properly accommodated in pens or containers.
20. There shall be adequate passageways having access to all pens, containers or vehicles accommodating animals. Adequate lighting facilities shall be available.
21. A sufficient number of attendants shall be provided taking into account the number of animals transported and the duration of the voyage.
22. All parts of the vessel where animals are accommodated shall be provided with drainage and shall be kept in a sanitary condition.
23. A type of instrument approved by the competent authority shall be carried for slaughtering animals if necessary.
24. Vessels used in the transport of animals shall, before sailing, be provided with sufficient supplies of drinking water — where they are not equipped with a suitable system allowing its production — and appropriate foodstuffs, having regard to the species and number of animals being transported as well as to the duration of the voyage.
25. Provisions shall be made for isolating ill or injured animals during the voyage and for first-aid treatment to be given, when necessary.
26. (a) Where animals are transported in railway trucks on board ships, special care shall be taken to ensure that adequate ventilation is provided for the animals throughout the voyage. Paragraphs 17 to 19 shall not apply to the transport of animals loaded in railway trucks or road vehicles on board ferry boats or similar vessels.
(b) Where animals are transported in road vehicles on board ships, the following measures shall apply:
 - (i) the animals' compartment shall be properly fixed to the vehicle; the vehicle and the animals' compartment shall be equipped with adequate tying facilities enabling them to be secured fast to the ship. On a covered deck of a roll-on/roll-off vessel, sufficient ventilation for the number of vehicles transported must be maintained. Where possible, a vehicle for the transport of animals should be placed near a fresh air inlet;
 - (ii) the animals' compartment shall have a sufficient number of vents or other means of ensuring that it is adequately ventilated, bearing in mind that the air flow is restricted in the confined space of ship's vehicle hold. There must be sufficient room inside the animals' compartment and at each of its levels to ensure that there is adequate ventilation above the animals where they are in a naturally standing position;
 - (iii) direct access must be provided to each part of the animals' compartment so that the animals can, if necessary, be cared for, fed and watered during the voyage.

E. Special provisions for transport by air

27. Animals shall be transported in containers, pens or stalls appropriate for the species, complying at least with the most recent IATA live animals regulations.
28. Precautions shall be taken to avoid extremely high or low temperatures on board, having regard to the species of animals. In addition, severe fluctuations of air pressure shall be avoided.
29. In freight aircraft a type of instrument approved by the competent authority shall be carried for slaughtering animals if necessary.

CHAPTER II

POULTRY, DOMESTIC BIRDS AND DOMESTIC RABBITS

30. The following provisions of Chapter I shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the transport of poultry, domestic birds and domestic rabbits: paragraphs 2 (a), (b) and (c), 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 13, 17 to 22 inclusive, 24 and 26 to 29 inclusive.

31. Suitable food and water shall be available in adequate quantities, save in the case of:
- (i) a journey lasting less than 12 hours, disregarding loading and unloading time;
 - (ii) a journey lasting less than 24 hours for chicks of all species, provided that it is completed within 72 hours after hatching.

CHAPTER III

DOMESTIC DOGS AND DOMESTIC CATS

32. Without prejudice to Article 1 (2) (a), the following provisions of Chapter I shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the transport of domestic dogs and domestic cats: paragraph 1, paragraph 2 (a), (b) and (c), paragraphs 3, 5, 6, paragraph 7 (a) and (c), paragraphs 8, 9, 12, 13, 15 and 17 to 29 inclusive.
33. Animals being transported shall be fed at intervals of not more than 24 hours and given water at intervals of not more than 12 hours. There shall be clear written instructions about feeding and watering. Females in oestrus shall be separated from males.

CHAPTER IV

OTHER MAMMALS AND BIRDS

34. (a) The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the transport of those mammals and birds which are not already covered by the provisions of the preceding chapters.
- (b) The following provisions of Chapter I shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the transport of the species concerned in this Chapter: paragraph 1, paragraph 2 (a), (b) and (c), paragraphs 3 (b), 4, 5, 6, paragraph 7 (a) and (c), paragraphs 8, 9, 12, 13, 15 and 17 to 29 inclusive.
35. Without prejudice to Article 3 (1) (b), only animals suitable for transportation and in good health shall be transported. Animals obviously in advanced stages of pregnancy or animals that have recently given birth, as well as infant animals incapable of feeding themselves and which are not accompanied by the mother, shall not be considered fit for transportation. These provisions may be exempted in exceptional circumstances if it is necessary in the animals' interest for them to travel to a location where the appropriate treatment can be given.
36. Sedation shall not be administered unless in exceptional circumstances and then only under the direct supervision of a veterinarian. Details of any sedation shall accompany the animal to its destination.
37. Animals shall be transported only in suitably constructed means of transport, on which, if necessary, a notice shall be placed indicating that the animals in them are wild, timid or dangerous. Moreover, clear written instructions about feeding and watering and any special care required shall accompany the animals.
- Animals covered by the Cites shall be transported in accordance with the most recent provisions of the Cites 'guidelines for transport and preparation for shipment of live wild animals and plants'. In the case of air transport, they shall be transported at least in accordance with the most recent IATA rules governing the transport of live animals. They shall be conveyed to their destination as soon as possible.
38. Animals covered by this Chapter shall be cared for in accordance with the instructions and guidelines referred to in paragraph 37.
39. There shall be an appropriate period for the holding and conditioning of animals prior to shipment during which they shall, if necessary, be moved into their containers gradually.
40. Animals of different species shall not be placed in the same container. Moreover, animals of the same species shall not be placed in the same container unless it is known that they are compatible with one another.
41. Cervine animals shall not be transported while in velvet.
42. Birds shall be kept in semi-darkness.

43. Without prejudice to special measures to be taken in accordance with Article 3 (3), marine mammals shall have the constant attention of a qualified attendant. Containers shall not be stacked.
44. (a) There shall be additional ventilation by means of holes of a suitable size in all walls of the container to ensure an adequate flow of air at all times. These holes shall be of a size which prevents the animals from coming into contact with persons handling the container or from injuring themselves.
(b) Spacer bars of adequate size shall be fitted to all walls, roofs and bases of containers to ensure that there is a free flow of air to the animals in the event of stacking or close storing of cargo.
45. Animals should not be housed near foodstuffs or in places to which unauthorized persons have access.

CHAPTER V

OTHER VERTEBRATE ANIMALS AND COLD-BLOODED ANIMALS

46. Other vertebrate animals and cold-blooded animals must be transported in such containers, under such conditions, in particular with regard to space, ventilation, temperature and security, and with such supply of water and oxygen appropriate for the species concerned. Animals which are covered by Cites must be transported in accordance with the Cites 'guidelines for transport and preparation for shipment of live wild animals and plants'. In the case of air transport, they must be transported at least in accordance with the most recent IATA rules governing the transport of live animals. They must be conveyed to their destination as soon as possible.
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COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 19 November 1991

laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves

(91/629/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽³⁾,

Whereas all Member States have ratified the European Convention on the protection of animals kept for farming purposes; whereas the Community has also approved this Convention by Decision 78/923/EEC ⁽⁴⁾ and has deposited its instrument of approval;

Whereas the European Parliament, in its Resolution of 20 February 1987 on animal welfare policy ⁽⁵⁾, called on the Commission to make proposals on minimum standards for the intensive farming of veal calves;

Whereas calves, being live animals, are included in the list of products set out in Annex II to the Treaty;

Whereas the keeping of calves is an integral part of agriculture; whereas it constitutes a source of revenue for part of the agricultural population;

Whereas differences which may distort conditions of competition interfere with the smooth running of the organization of the common market in calves and calf products;

Whereas there is therefore a need to establish common minimum standards for the protection of rearing calves or calves for fattening in order to ensure rational development of production;

Whereas it is necessary for official services, producers, consumers and others to be kept informed of developments in this field; whereas the Commission should therefore, on the basis of a report from the Scientific Veterinary Committee,

pursue actively scientific research into the most efficient stock-farming system(s) from the point of view of the well-being of calves; whereas provision should accordingly be made for an interim period to enable the Commission to complete this task successfully,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

This Directive lays down the minimum standards for the protection of calves confined for rearing and fattening.

Article 2

For the purposes of this Directive:

1. 'calf' shall mean a bovine animal up to six months old;
2. 'competent authority' shall mean the competent authority as defined in Article 2 (6) of Directive 90/425/EEC ⁽⁶⁾.

Article 3

1. Member States shall ensure that from 1 January 1994 and for a transitional period of four years, all holdings newly built or rebuilt and/or brought into use for the first time after that date shall comply with at least the following requirements:

- where calves are housed in groups, they must have sufficient unobstructed floor space to be able to turn round and lie down without hindrance of at least 1,5 m² for each calf of 150 kg live weight,
- where calves are housed in individual boxes or by tethering in stalls, the boxes or stalls shall have perforated walls and their width must be no less than 90 cm plus or minus 10 %, or 0,80 times the height at the withers.

2. The provisions of paragraph 1 shall not apply to holdings with fewer than six calves.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 214, 21. 8. 1989, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 113, 7. 5. 1990, p. 180.

⁽³⁾ OJ No C 62, 12. 3. 1990, p. 37.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 323, 17. 11. 1978, p. 12.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No C 76, 23. 3. 1987, p. 185.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 29. Directive as last amended by Directive 91/496/EEC (OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56).

3. Special conditions may be applied to:

- calves, the health or behaviour of which requires them to be isolated from the group in order to receive appropriate treatment,
- pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species referred to in Directive 77/504/EEC ⁽¹⁾,
- calves kept with their mothers for suckling,
- calves kept in loose housing.

4. The duration of use of installations built

- before 1 January 1994 which do not meet the requirements of paragraph 1 shall be determined by the competent authority in the light of the results of the inspections provided for in Article 7 (1), and shall under no circumstances extend beyond 31 December 2003;
- during the transitional period, in accordance with paragraph 1, shall under no circumstances extend beyond 31 December 2007, unless on that date they comply with the requirements of this Directive.

Article 4

1. Member States shall ensure that the conditions for rearing calves comply with the general provisions laid down in the Annex.

2. Moreover, before this Directive enters into force, the Commission, in cooperation with the Member States, shall issue a recommendation defining any minimum standards for the protection of calves supplementing those in the Annex.

Article 5

The provisions in the Annex may be amended in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10 in order to take account of scientific progress.

Article 6

Not later than 1 October 1997, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report, drawn up on the basis of an opinion from the Scientific Veterinary Committee, on the intensive farming system(s) which comply with the requirements of the well-being of calves from the pathological, zootechnical,

physiological and behavioural point of view, as well as the socio-economic implications of different systems, together with proposals relevant to the report's conclusions.

The Council shall act by a qualified majority on these proposals no later than three months after their submission.

Article 7

1. Member States shall ensure that inspections are carried out under the responsibility of the competent authority in order to check that the provisions of this Directive and its Annex are complied with.

These inspections, which may be carried out on the occasion of checks made for other purposes, shall each year cover a statistically representative sample of the different farming systems used in each Member State.

2. The Commission shall, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10, draw up a code of rules to be applied in carrying out the inspections provided for in paragraph 1.

3. Every two years, by the last working day in April and for the first time by 30 April 1996, Member States shall inform the Commission of the results of the inspections carried out during the previous two years in accordance with this Article, including the number of inspections carried out in relation to the number of holdings in their territory.

Article 8

In order to be imported into the Community, animals coming from a non-member country must be accompanied by a certificate issued by the competent authority of that country, certifying that they have received treatment at least equivalent to that granted to animals of Community origin as provided for by this Directive.

Article 9

Veterinary experts from the Commission may, where necessary for the uniform application of this Directive, carry out on-the-spot checks in cooperation with the competent authorities. The persons carrying out these checks shall implement the special personal hygiene measures necessary to exclude any risk of transmission of disease.

The Member State in the territory of which a check is being carried out shall give all necessary assistance to the experts in carrying out their duties. The Commission shall inform the competent authority of the Member State concerned of the results of the checks.

The competent authority of the Member State concerned shall take any measures which may prove necessary to take account of the results of the checks.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 206, 12. 8. 1977, p. 8. Directive as last amended by Directive 91/174/EEC (OJ No L 85, 5. 4. 1991, p. 37).

With regard to relations with non-member countries, the provisions of Chapter III of Directive 91/496/EEC ⁽¹⁾ shall apply.

General rules for the application of this Article shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10.

Article 10

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the chairman shall refer the matter without delay to the Standing Veterinary Committee set up by Directive 68/361/EEC ⁽²⁾, hereinafter referred to as the 'Committee', either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. The opinion shall be delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148 (2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Member States within the Committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The chairman shall not vote.

3. The Commission shall adopt the measures envisaged if they are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee.

4. If the measures envisaged are not in accordance with the opinion of the Committee, or if no opinion is delivered, the Commission shall without delay submit to the Council a proposal relating to the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.

If, within three months of the date of referral to the Council, the Council has not acted, the proposed measures shall be

adopted by the Commission except where the Council has decided against the measures by a simple majority.

Article 11

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions, including any sanctions, necessary to comply with this Directive not later than 1 January 1994. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

Where Member States adopt these provisions, the latter shall include a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such a reference on their official publication. The details of this reference shall be adopted by the Member States.

2. However, from the date set in paragraph 1, Member States may, in compliance with the general rules of the Treaty, maintain or apply within their territories stricter provisions for the protection of calves than those laid down in this Directive. They shall inform the Commission of any such measures.

Article 12

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 November 1991.

For the Council
The President
P. BUKMAN

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 255, 18. 10. 1968, p. 23.

ANNEX

1. Materials used for the construction of calf accommodation and in particular of boxes and equipment with which calves may come into contact must not be harmful to the calves and must be capable of being thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
2. Until Community rules are laid down on the matter, electrical circuits and equipment must be installed in accordance with current national rules so as to avoid electric shocks.
3. Insulation, heating and ventilation of the building must ensure that the air circulation, dust level, temperature, relative air humidity and gas concentrations are kept within limits which are not harmful to the calves.
4. All automated or mechanical equipment essential for the calves' health and well-being must be inspected at least once daily. Where defects are discovered, these must be rectified immediately or, if this is impossible, appropriate steps must be taken to safeguard the health and well-being of the calves until the defect has been rectified, notably by using alternative methods of feeding and maintaining a satisfactory environment.

Where an artificial ventilation system is used, provision must be made for an appropriate back-up system to guarantee sufficient air renewal to preserve the health and well-being of the calves in the event of failure of the system, and an alarm system must be provided to warn the stock-keeper of the breakdown. The alarm system must be tested regularly.

5. Calves must not be kept permanently in darkness. To meet their behavioural and physiological needs, provision must be made, allowing for the different climatic conditions in the Member States, for appropriate natural or artificial lighting; if the latter, it must function for a period at least equivalent to the period of natural light normally available between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. In addition, suitable lighting (fixed or portable) strong enough to allow the calves to be inspected at any time must be available.
6. All calves reared in groups or in boxes must be inspected by the owner or the person responsible for the animals at least once a day. Any calf which appears to be ill or injured must be treated appropriately without delay.

It should be possible, wherever necessary, to isolate sick or injured calves in adequate accommodation with dry, comfortable bedding.

Veterinary advice must be obtained as soon as possible for calves which are not responding to the stock-keeper's care.

7. The accommodation for calves must be constructed in such a way as to allow each calf:
 - to lie down, rest, stand up and groom itself without difficulty;
 - to see other calves.
8. Where tethers are used, they must not cause injury to the calves and must be inspected regularly and adjusted as necessary to ensure a comfortable fit. Each tether must be of sufficient length to allow the calves to move as stipulated in paragraph 7. The design must be such as to avoid, as far as possible, any risk of strangulation or injury.
9. Housing, pens, equipment and utensils used for calves must be properly cleaned and disinfected to prevent cross-infection and the build-up of disease-carrying organisms. Faeces, urine and uneaten or spilt food must be removed as often as necessary to minimize smell and avoiding attracting flies or rodents.
10. Floors must be smooth but not slippery so as to prevent injury to the calves and so designed as not to cause injury or suffering to calves standing or lying on them. They must be suitable for the size and weight of the calves and form a rigid, even and stable surface. The lying area must be comfortable, clean, and adequately drained and must not adversely affect the calves. Appropriate bedding must be provided for all calves less than two weeks old.
11. All calves must be provided with an appropriate diet adapted to their age, weight and behavioural and physiological needs, to promote a positive state of health and well-being. In order to ensure a positive state of

health and well-being as well as a healthy growth rate and to meet their behavioural needs, the calves' food must include sufficient iron and a minimum of dried feed containing a digestible fibre (100—200 gr daily depending on the age of the animal). However, the requirement for a minimum quantity of dried feed containing digestible fibres does not apply to the production of veal calves for white meat. Calves must not be muzzled.

12. All calves must be fed at least once a day. Where calves are housed in groups and not fed *ad libitum*, or by an automatic feeding system, each calf must have access to the food at the same time as the others in the group.
 13. All calves over two weeks of age must have access to a sufficient quantity of fresh water or be able to satisfy their fluid intake needs by drinking other liquids.
 14. Feeding and watering equipment must be designed, constructed, placed and maintained so that contamination of the calves' feed and water is minimized.
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COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 19 November 1991

laying down minimum standards for the protection of pigs

(91/630/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ⁽³⁾,

Whereas all Member States have ratified the European Convention on the protection of animals kept for farming purposes; whereas the Community has also approved this Convention by Decision 78/923/EEC ⁽⁴⁾ and has deposited its instrument of approval;

Whereas the European Parliament, in its resolution of 20 February 1987 on animal welfare policy ⁽⁵⁾, called on the Commission to make proposals on minimum standards for the intensive farming of pigs;

Whereas pigs, being live animals, are included in the list of products set out in Annex II of the Treaty;

Whereas the keeping of pigs is an integral part of agriculture; whereas it constitutes a source of revenue for part of the agricultural population;

Whereas differences which may distort conditions of competition interfere with the smooth running of the organization of the common market in pigs and pig products;

Whereas there is therefore a need to establish common minimum standards for the protection of pigs kept for rearing and fattening in order to ensure rational development of production;

Whereas it is necessary for official services, producers, consumers and others to be kept informed of developments in

this field; whereas the Commission should therefore, on the basis of a report from the Scientific Veterinary Committee, pursue actively scientific research into the best pig-rearing system(s) from the point of view of pig welfare; whereas provision should accordingly be made for an interim period to enable the Commission to complete this task successfully,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

This Directive lays down the minimum standards for the protection of pigs confined for rearing and fattening.

Article 2

For the purposes of this Directive, the following definitions shall apply:

1. 'pig': an animal of the porcine species, of any age, kept for breeding or fattening;
2. 'boar': a male pig after puberty, intended for breeding;
3. 'gilt': a female pig after puberty and before farrowing;
4. 'sow': a female pig after the first farrowing;
5. 'farrowing sow': a female pig between the perinatal period and the weaning of the piglets;
6. 'dry pregnant sow': a sow between weaning her piglets and the perinatal period;
7. 'piglet': a pig from birth to weaning;
8. 'weaner': a pig from weaning to the age of ten weeks;
9. 'rearing pig': a pig from ten weeks to slaughter or service;
10. 'competent authority': a competent authority within the meaning of Article 2 (6), of Directive 90/425/EEC ⁽⁶⁾.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 214, 21. 8. 1989, p. 31.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 113, 7. 5. 1990, p. 183.

⁽³⁾ OJ No C 62, 12. 3. 1990, p. 40.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 323, 17. 11. 1978, p. 12.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ No C 76, 23. 3. 1987, p. 185.

⁽⁶⁾ OJ No L 224, 18. 8. 1990, p. 29. Directive as last amended by Directive 91/496/EEC (OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56).

Article 3

Member States shall ensure that:

1. — from 1 January 1994, all holdings newly-built or rebuilt and/or brought into use for the first time after that date shall comply with at least the following requirement:

the unobstructed floor area available to each weaner or rearing pig reared in a group must be at least:
 - 0,15 m² for a pig of an average weight of 10 kg or less,
 - 0,20 m² for a pig of an average weight of between 10 kg and 20 kg,
 - 0,30 m² for a pig of an average weight of between 20 kg and 30 kg,
 - 0,40 m² for a pig of an average weight of between 30 kg and 50 kg,
 - 0,55 m² for a pig of an average weight of between 50 kg and 85 kg,
 - 0,65 m² for a pig of an average weight of between 85 kg and 110 kg,
 - 1,00 m² for a pig of an average weight of more than 110 kg;
- from 1 January 1998, the minimum standards provided for above shall apply to all holdings;
2. the construction or conversion of installations in which sows and gilts are tethered shall be prohibited after 31 December 1995.

However, the use of installations built prior to 1 January 1996 which do not meet the requirements of point 1 may be authorized by the competent authority in the light of the results of the inspections provided for in Article 7 (1), for a period which shall under no circumstances extend beyond 31 December 2005.

The provisions of this Article shall not apply to holdings with fewer than six pigs or five sows with their piglets.

Article 4

1. Member States shall ensure that the conditions for rearing pigs comply with the general provisions laid down in the Annex.

However, until 30 June 1995, the Member States' competent authorities may authorize derogations from paragraphs 3, 5, 8 and 11 of Chapter I of the Annex.

2. Moreover, before this Directive enters into force, the Commission, in cooperation with the Member States, shall issue a recommendation defining any additional minimum standards for the protection of pigs supplementing those in the Annex.

Article 5

The provisions of the Annex may be amended in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10, in order to take account of scientific progress.

Article 6

By 1 October 1997, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report, drawn up on the basis of an opinion from the Scientific Veterinary Committee, on the intensive pig-rearing system(s) which comply with the welfare requirements of pigs from the pathological, zootechnical, physiological and behavioural points of view and on the socio-economic implications of the different systems. The report shall particularly take into account the welfare of sows reared in varying degrees of confinement and in groups and shall be accompanied by appropriate proposals which take account of the conclusions of the report.

The Council shall act by qualified majority on those proposals no later than three months after their submission.

Article 7

1. Member States shall ensure that inspections are carried out under the responsibility of the competent authority in order to check that the provisions of this Directive and its Annex are being complied with.

These inspections, which may be carried out on the occasion of checks made for other purposes, shall each year cover a statistically representative sample of the different rearing systems used in each Member State.

2. The Commission shall, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10, draw up a code of rules to be applied in carrying out the inspections provided for in paragraph 1.

3. Every two years, by the last working day in April and for the first time by 30 April 1996, Member States shall inform the Commission of the results of the inspections carried out during the previous two years in accordance with this Article, including the number of inspections carried out in proportion to the number of holdings in their territory.

Article 8

Animals imported from non-member countries must, with respect to the requirements for their welfare, whilst being reared, receive treatment at least equivalent to that guaranteed by this Directive to animals of Community origin. This requirement must be stated in a certificate issued by the competent authority of the non-member country concerned.

Article 9

Veterinary experts from the Commission may, where necessary for the uniform application of this Directive, carry

out on-the-spot checks in cooperation with the competent authorities. The persons carrying out these checks shall implement the special personal hygiene measures necessary to exclude any risk of transmission of disease.

The Member State in the territory of which a check is being carried out shall give all necessary assistance to the experts in carrying out their duties. The Commission shall inform the competent authority of the Member State concerned of the results of the checks.

The competent authority of the Member State concerned shall take any measures which may prove necessary to take account of the results of the check.

With regard to relations with non-member countries, the provisions of Chapter III of Directive 91/496/EEC ⁽¹⁾ shall apply.

General rules for the application of this Article shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10.

Article 10

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the chairman shall refer the matter without delay to the Standing Veterinary Committee set up by Directive 68/361/EEC ⁽²⁾, hereinafter referred to as the 'Committee', either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. The opinion shall be delivered by the majority laid down in Article 148 (2) of the Treaty in the case of decisions which the Council is required to adopt on a proposal from the Commission. The votes of the representatives of the Member States within the Committee shall be weighted in the manner set out in that Article. The chairman shall not vote.

3. The Commission shall adopt the measures envisaged if they are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee.

4. If the measures envisaged are not in accordance with the opinion of the Committee, or if no opinion is delivered, the Commission shall without delay submit to the Council a proposal relating to the measures to be taken. The Council shall act by a qualified majority.

If, within three months of the date of referral to the Council, the Council has not acted, the proposed measures shall be adopted by the Commission except where the Council has decided against the measures by a simple majority.

Article 11

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions, including any sanctions, necessary to comply with this Directive not later than 1 January 1994. They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

Where Member States adopt these provisions, the latter shall include a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such a reference on their official publication. The details of this reference shall be adopted by the Member States.

2. However, from the date set in paragraph 1, Member States may, in compliance with the general rules of the Treaty, maintain or apply within their territories stricter provisions for the protection of pigs than those laid down in this Directive. They shall inform the Commission of any such measures.

Article 12

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 November 1991.

For the Council
The President
P. BUKMAN

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 268, 24. 9. 1991, p. 56.

⁽²⁾ OJ No 255, 18. 10. 1968, p. 23.

ANNEX

CHAPTER I

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Materials used for the construction of housing, particularly stalls and equipment with which the pigs may come into contact, must not be harmful to the pigs and must be capable of being thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
2. Until Community rules are laid down on the matter, electrical circuits and equipment must be installed in accordance with national rules in force so as to avoid electric shocks.
3. Insulation, heating and ventilation of the building must ensure that air circulation, dust level, temperature, relative air humidity and gas concentrations are kept within limits which are not harmful to the pigs.
4. All automated or mechanical equipment essential for the pigs' health and welfare must be inspected at least once daily. Where defects are discovered, these must be rectified immediately or, if this is impossible, appropriate steps must be taken to safeguard the health and well-being of the pigs until the defect has been rectified, notably by using alternative methods of feeding and maintaining a satisfactory environment. Where an artificial ventilation system is used, provision must be made for an appropriate back-up system to guarantee sufficient air renewal to preserve the health and well-being of the pigs in the event of failure of the system, and an alarm system must be provided to warn the stock-keeper of the failure. The alarm system must be tested regularly.
5. Pigs must not be kept permanently in darkness. To meet their behavioural and physiological needs, provision must be made, allowing for the different climatic conditions in the Member States, for appropriate natural or artificial lighting; if the latter, it must function for a period at least equivalent to the period of natural light normally available between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. In addition, suitable lighting (fixed or portable) strong enough to allow the pigs to be inspected at any time must be available.
6. All pigs reared in groups or in stalls must be inspected by the owner or the person responsible for the animals at least once a day. Any pig which appears to be ill or injured must be treated appropriately without delay. It should be possible, wherever necessary, to isolate sick or injured pigs in adequate accommodation with dry, comfortable bedding. Veterinary advice must be obtained as soon as possible for pigs which are not responding to the stock-keeper's care.
7. If pigs are kept together, measures must be taken to prevent fighting which goes beyond normal behaviour. Pigs which show persistent aggression towards others or are victims of such aggression must be isolated or kept separate from the group.
8. The accommodation for pigs must be constructed in such a way as to allow each pig to:
 - lie down, rest and stand up without difficulty,
 - have a clean place in which it can rest,
 - see other pigs.
9. Where tethers are used, they must not cause injury to the pigs and must be inspected regularly and adjusted as necessary to ensure a comfortable fit. Each tether shall be of sufficient length to allow the pigs to move as stipulated in paragraph 8. The design must be such as to avoid, as far as possible, any risk of strangulation or injury.
10. Housing, pens, equipment and utensils used for pigs must be properly cleaned and disinfected to prevent cross-infection and the build-up of disease-carrying organisms. Faeces, urine and uneaten or spilt food must be removed as often as necessary to reduce smell and avoid attracting flies or rodents.

11. Floors must be smooth but not slippery so as to prevent injury to the pigs and so designed as not to cause injury or suffering to pigs standing or lying on them. They must be suitable for the size and weight of the pigs and form a rigid, even and stable surface. The lying area must be comfortable, clean and adequately drained and must not adversely affect the pigs. Where bedding is provided, this must be clean, dry and not harmful to the pigs.
12. All pigs must be provided with a diet appropriate to their age, weight and behavioural and physiological needs, to promote a positive state of health and well-being.
13. All pigs must be fed at least once a day. Where pigs are housed in groups and not fed ad libitum, or by an automatic feeding system, each pig must have access to the food at the same time as the others in the group.
14. All pigs over two weeks of age must have access to a sufficient quantity of fresh water or be able to satisfy their fluid intake needs by drinking other liquids.
15. Feeding and watering equipment must be designed, constructed, placed and maintained so that contamination of the pigs' feed and water is minimized.
16. In addition to the measures normally taken to prevent tail-biting and other vices and in order to enable them to satisfy their behavioural needs, all pigs, taking into account environment and stocking density, must be able to obtain straw or any other suitable material or object.

CHAPTER II

SPECIFIC PROVISIONS FOR VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF PIGS

I. BOARS

Boar pens must be sited and constructed so as to allow the boar to turn round and to hear, smell and see other pigs, and to provide for clean resting areas. The lying area must be dry and comfortable. The minimum pen size for an adult boar shall be 6 m². However, a larger area must be provided where pens are used for service.

II. SOWS AND GILTS

1. Pregnant sows and gilts must, if necessary, be treated against external and internal parasites. If they are placed in farrowing crates, pregnant sows and gilts must be thoroughly cleaned.
2. They must be provided with a clean, adequately drained, comfortable lying area and must, if necessary, be given suitable nesting material.
3. An unobstructed area behind the sow or gilt must be available for the ease of natural or assisted farrowing.
4. Farrowing crates where sows are kept loose must have some means of protecting the piglets, such as farrowing rails.

III. PIGLETS

1. If necessary, piglets must be provided with a source of heat and a solid, dry and comfortable lying area away from the sow where all of them can rest at the same time.
2. Where a farrowing crate is used, the piglets must have sufficient space to be able to be suckled without difficulty.
3. If practised, the castration of male pigs aged over four weeks may be carried out only under anaesthetic by a veterinarian or a person qualified in accordance with national legislation.

4. Neither tail docking nor tooth clipping must be carried out routinely but only when there is evidence, on the farm, that injuries to sows' teats or to other pigs' ears or tails have occurred as a result of not carrying out these procedures. Where tooth clipping appears necessary, this must be carried out within seven days of birth.
5. Piglets must not be weaned from the sow at less than three weeks of age unless the welfare or health of the dam or piglets would otherwise be adversely affected.

IV. WEANERS AND REARING PIGS

Pigs must be placed in groups as soon as possible after weaning. They should be kept in stable groups with as little mixing as possible.

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 6 September 1991

on the conclusion of a Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC), on the one hand, and the Republic of Hungary, on the other

(91/631/ECSC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community, and in particular Article 95 thereof,

Whereas, following the Council Decision of 8 February 1990, the Commission conducted negotiations with the Republic of Hungary which have resulted in a Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation in respect of products covered by the ECSC Treaty;

Whereas the conclusion of this Agreement is indispensable for the attainment of the objectives of the Community as defined *inter alia* in Articles 2 and 3 of the Treaty establishing the ECSC;

Whereas this Decision does not affect the powers of the Member States in matters of commercial policy referred to in Article 71 of the Treaty;

After consulting the ECSC Consultative Committee and having obtained the unanimous assent of the Council,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Protocol on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between the ECSC, on the one hand, and the Republic of Hungary, on the other, is hereby approved on behalf of the ECSC.

The text of the Protocol is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The Commission shall designate the member of the Commission empowered to sign the Protocol in order to bind the ECSC.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Done at Brussels, 6 September 1991.

For the Commission
Frans ANDRIESEN
Vice-President

PROTOCOL

on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC) of the one part and the Republic of Hungary of the other part

THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY (ECSC)

of the one part, and

THE REPUBLIC OF HUNGARY,

of the other part,

CONSIDERING the Agreement between the European Economic Community (EEC) and the People's Republic of Hungary on trade and commercial and economic cooperation concluded on 1 December 1988 ⁽¹⁾ and covering those areas for which the said Community has responsibility,

PURSUING the same objectives and desirous of finding similar solutions for the areas which are the responsibility of the ECSC,

WISHING to supplement the abovementioned Agreement so that the same rules and principles shall apply to products covered by the ECSC Treaty,

NOTING the developments which have taken place since the conclusion of the said Agreement, and in particular the abolition by the Community of the specific quantitative restrictions on products covered by the EEC Treaty originating in Hungary,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Articles 1, 2, 3 (2), 5 and 13 to 21 of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the People's Republic of Hungary on trade and commercial and economic cooperation concluded on 1 December 1988 shall also apply to the areas covered by the ECSC Treaty.

Article 2

Each Contracting Party shall accord the highest degree of liberalization which they generally apply to third countries to imports of the other's products, taking into account the provisions of GATT and of the Protocol for accession of the People's Republic of Hungary thereto.

To this end the quantitative restrictions on imports into certain Member States shown in the Annex of the products originating in Hungary and covered by the ECSC Treaty which are listed in that Annex shall be abolished from the date of entry into force of this Protocol.

Article 3

This Protocol shall apply on the one hand to the territories in which the ECSC Treaty is applied, under the conditions laid down in that Treaty, and on the other hand to the territory of the Republic of Hungary.

Article 4

This Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date on which the Contracting Parties notify each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for that purpose ⁽²⁾. It shall cease to apply where the Agreement referred to in Article 1 expires or is denounced.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 327, 30. 11. 1988.

⁽²⁾ The Contracting Parties notified each other of the completion of the procedures necessary on 26 November 1991.

Article 5

The Annex to this Protocol shall form an integral part thereof.

Article 6

This Protocol shall be drawn up in duplicate in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Hungarian languages, each text being equally authentic.

Done at Brussels, 31 October 1991.

*For the European Coal
and Steel Community*

Horst KRENZLER

*Director-General
for External Relations*

For the Republic of Hungary

Iván SZÁSZ

*Head of the Polish Mission
to the European Communities*

ANNEX

GERMANY

Pig iron category

CN code	
7201 10 19 ex 7201 20 00	— containing by weight more than 1 % of silicon

Iron and steel products category

CN code	
ex 7208 11 00	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 12 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 12 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 12 95	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 12 98	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 13 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 13 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 13 95	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 13 98	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 14 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 14 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 14 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 21 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 21 90	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 22 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 22 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 22 95	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 22 98	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 23 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 23 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 23 95	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 23 98	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 24 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 24 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 24 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 32 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 30	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 51	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 59	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 33 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 33 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 33 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 34 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 34 90	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 30	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon

CN code	
ex 7208 42 51	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 59	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 91	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 99	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 43 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 43 91	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 43 99	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 44 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 44 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 12 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 13 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 22 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 23 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 32 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 33 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 42 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7209 43 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 12 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 12 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 19 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and in coils
	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 3 mm or more and not in coils
ex 7211 19 91	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 19 99	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 22 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 22 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 29 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and in coils
	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 3 mm or more and not in coils
ex 7211 29 91	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 29 99	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7211 30 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 0,5 mm or more but less than 3 mm
ex 7211 41 10	- of a thickness of 0,5 mm or more but less than 3 mm
ex 7211 49 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 0,5 mm or more but less than 3 mm
ex 7214 20 00	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
7214 40 10	
7214 40 91	
7214 40 99	
7214 50 10	
7214 50 91	
7214 50 99	
ex 7216 21 00	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 22 00	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 31 19	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 31 99	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 32 19	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 32 99	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 40 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 40 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 50 10	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7216 50 90	- containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon

BENELUX
Coils category

CN code	
7208 11 00	
7208 12 10	
7208 12 91	
7208 12 95	
7208 12 98	
7208 13 10	
7208 13 91	
7208 13 95	
7208 13 98	
ex 7208 14 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 14 91	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 14 99	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
7208 21 10	
7208 21 90	
7208 22 10	
7208 22 91	
7208 22 95	
7208 22 98	
7208 23 10	
7208 23 91	
7208 23 95	
7208 23 98	
ex 7208 24 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 24 91	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 24 99	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7211 12 10	— in coils
ex 7211 19 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
ex 7211 22 10	— in coils
ex 7211 29 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
7219 11 10	
7219 11 90	
7219 12 10	
7219 12 90	
7219 13 10	
7219 13 90	
ex 7219 14 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7219 14 90	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7220 11 00	— in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7220 12 00	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7225 10 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
ex 7225 20 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
ex 7225 30 00	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7226 10 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 20 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 91 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 91 90	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm

Other iron and steel products

CN code	
ex 7208 14 10	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 14 91	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 14 99	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 24 10	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 24 91	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 24 99	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 30	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 51	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 59	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 32 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 33 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 33 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 33 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 34 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 34 90	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 35 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 35 90	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 30	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 51	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 59	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 42 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 43 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 43 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 43 99	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 44 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 44 90	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 45 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 45 90	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7208 90 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
7209 12 10	
7209 12 90	
7209 13 10	
7209 13 90	
7209 14 10	
7209 14 90	
7209 22 10	
7209 22 90	
7209 23 10	
7209 23 90	
7209 24 10	
7209 24 91	
7209 24 99	
7209 32 10	
7209 32 90	

CN code	
7209 33 10	
7209 33 90	
7209 34 10	
7209 34 90	
7209 42 10	
7209 42 90	
7209 43 10	
7209 43 90	
7209 44 10	
7209 44 90	
ex 7209 90 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 11 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 12 11	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 12 19	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 20 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 31 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 39 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 41 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 49 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 50 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 60 11	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 60 19	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 70 21	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 70 29	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 31	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 33	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 35	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 39	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7211 12 10	— not in coils and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 12 90	— not in coils and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 19 10	— not in coils, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7211 19 91	
7211 19 99	
ex 7211 22 10	— not in coils and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 22 90	— not in coils, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon, of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 29 10	— not in coils, containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon and of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7211 29 91	
7211 29 99	
ex 7211 30 10	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
	— 'electrical'

CN code	
ex 7211 41 10	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
	— 'electrical'
ex 7211 41 91	— of a thickness of less than 6 mm
ex 7211 49 10	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
	— 'electrical'
ex 7212 10 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7212 10 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7212 21 11	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7212 29 11	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7212 30 11	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7212 40 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7212 60 91	— of a thickness of 6 mm or less and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
7213 10 00	
7213 20 00	
7213 31 00	
7213 39 00	
7213 41 00	
7213 49 00	
7214 20 00	
7214 30 00	
7214 40 10	
7214 40 91	
7214 40 99	
7214 50 10	
7214 50 91	
7214 50 99	
7214 60 00	
7216 10 00	
7216 21 00	
7216 22 00	
7216 31 11	
7216 31 19	
7216 31 91	
7216 31 99	
7216 32 11	
7216 32 19	
7216 32 91	
7216 32 99	
7216 33 10	
7216 33 90	
7216 40 10	
7216 40 90	
7216 50 10	
7216 50 90	
ex 7216 90 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
ex 7219 14 10	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7219 14 90	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7219 21 11	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 21 19	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 21 90	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 22 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass

CN code	
ex 7219 22 90	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
7219 23 10	
7219 23 90	
7219 24 10	
7219 24 90	
7219 33 10	
7219 33 90	
7219 34 10	
7219 34 90	
7219 35 10	
7219 35 90	
ex 7219 90 11	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7219 90 19	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7220 11 00	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, other than in coils and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7220 12 00	— other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7220 20 10	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
7221 00 10	
7221 00 90	
7222 10 11	
7222 10 19	
7222 10 51	
7222 10 59	
7222 10 99	
7222 40 11	
7222 40 19	
ex 7225 10 10	— not in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7225 10 91	
7225 10 99	
ex 7225 20 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, and other than in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7225 20 30	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7225 30 00	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7225 40 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7225 40 30	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7225 40 50	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7225 50 10	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
ex 7225 50 90	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
ex 7225 90 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7226 10 10	— other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
7226 10 30	
ex 7226 20 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, and other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 20 31	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
ex 7226 91 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, and other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 91 90	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, and other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 92 10	— of a thickness of less than 3 mm
7227 20 00	
7227 90 10	
7227 90 30	
7227 90 80	

CN code	
7228 20 11	
7228 20 19	
7228 30 10	
7228 30 30	
7228 30 80	
7228 70 10	
7228 80 10	
ex 7228 80 90	— containing by weight 0,6 % or more of carbon
7301 10 00	

Pig iron category

CN code	
7201 10 19	
7201 10 30	
ex 7201 20 00	— containing by weight more than 1 % of silicon
7201 30 10	
7201 30 90	
ex 7202 99 11	— containing by weight more than 1 % of silicon
ex 7203 90 00	— other than in blocks, lumps and similar forms

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Coils category

CN code	
7208 11 00	
7208 12 10	
7208 12 91	
7208 12 95	
7208 12 98	
7208 13 10	
7208 13 91	
7208 13 95	
7208 13 98	
ex 7208 14 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 14 91	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 14 99	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
7208 21 10	
7208 21 90	
7208 22 10	
7208 22 91	
7208 22 95	
7208 22 98	
7208 23 10	
7208 23 91	
7208 23 95	
7208 23 98	
ex 7208 24 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7208 24 90	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7211 12 10	— in coils
ex 7211 19 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
ex 7211 22 10	— in coils
ex 7211 29 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
7219 11 10	
7219 11 90	
7219 12 10	
7219 12 90	
7219 13 10	
7219 13 90	
ex 7219 14 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7219 14 90	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7220 11 00	— in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7220 12 00	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7225 10 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
ex 7225 20 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils
ex 7225 30 00	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7226 10 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 20 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 91 10	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 91 90	— of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more, in coils, of a width exceeding 500 mm

Other iron and steel products

CN code	
ex 7208 14 10	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7208 14 91	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7208 14 99	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7208 24 10	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7208 24 91	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7208 24 99	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7208 32 10	
7208 32 30	
7208 32 51	
7208 32 59	
7208 32 91	
7208 32 99	
7208 33 10	
7208 33 91	
7208 33 99	
7208 34 10	
7208 34 90	
7208 35 10	
7208 35 90	
7208 42 10	
7208 42 30	
7208 42 51	
7208 42 59	
7208 42 91	
7208 42 99	
7208 43 10	
7208 43 91	
7208 43 99	
7208 44 10	
7208 44 90	
7208 45 10	
7208 45 90	
ex 7208 90 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
7209 11 00	
7209 12 10	
7209 12 90	
7209 13 10	
7209 13 90	
7209 14 10	
7209 14 90	
7209 21 00	
7209 22 10	
7209 22 90	
7209 23 10	
7209 23 90	
7209 24 10	
7209 24 91	
7209 24 99	
7209 31 00	
7209 32 10	
7209 32 90	
7209 33 10	

CN code	
7209 33 90	
7209 34 10	
7209 34 90	
7209 41 00	
7209 42 10	
7209 42 90	
7209 43 10	
7209 43 90	
7209 44 10	
7209 44 90	
ex 7209 90 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 11 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 12 11	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 12 19	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 20 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 31 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 39 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 41 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 49 10	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 50 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 60 11	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 60 19	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 70 21	— not further worked than surface-treated and containing by weight less than 0,6 % of carbon
	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 70 29	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 31	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 33	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 35	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7210 90 39	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7211 12 10	— not in coils
ex 7211 12 90	— of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 19 10	— not in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7211 19 91	
7211 19 99	
ex 7211 22 10	— not in coils
ex 7211 22 90	— of a thickness of 6 mm or less
ex 7211 29 10	— not in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7211 29 91	
7211 29 99	
7211 30 10	
7211 41 10	
ex 7211 41 91	— of a thickness of 6 mm or less
7211 49 10	

CN code	
ex 7212 10 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
ex 7212 10 91	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
ex 7212 21 11	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
ex 7212 29 11	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
ex 7212 30 11	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
ex 7212 40 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
ex 7212 60 91	— of a thickness of 6 mm or less and containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon
7213 10 00	
7213 20 00	
7213 31 00	
7213 39 00	
7213 41 00	
7213 49 00	
7213 50 10	
7213 50 90	
7214 20 00	
7214 30 00	
7214 40 10	
7214 40 91	
7214 40 99	
7214 50 10	
7214 50 91	
7214 50 99	
7214 60 00	
ex 7215 90 10	— of free-cutting steel
7216 10 00	
7216 21 00	
7216 22 00	
7216 31 11	
7216 31 19	
7216 31 91	
7216 31 99	
7216 32 11	
7216 32 19	
7216 32 91	
7216 32 99	
7216 33 10	
7216 33 90	
7216 40 10	
7216 40 90	
7216 50 10	
7216 50 90	
ex 7216 90 10	— containing by weight less than 0,6% of carbon — of free-cutting steel
ex 7219 14 10	— other than in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7219 14 90	— other than in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7219 21 11	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 21 19	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 21 90	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 22 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7219 22 90	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
7219 23 10	
7219 23 90	
7219 24 10	
7219 24 90	

CN code	
7219 31 10	
7219 31 90	
7219 32 10	
7219 32 90	
7219 33 10	
7219 33 90	
7219 34 10	
7219 34 90	
7219 35 10	
7219 35 90	
ex 7219 90 11	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7219 90 19	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7220 11 00	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, and other than in coils and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7220 12 00	— other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
7220 20 10	
7221 00 10	
7221 00 90	
7222 10 11	
7222 10 19	
7222 10 51	
7222 10 59	
7222 10 99	
7222 30 10	
7222 40 11	
7222 40 19	
7222 40 30	
ex 7225 10 10	— not in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
7225 10 91	
7225 10 99	
ex 7225 20 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, and other than in coils and of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more
ex 7225 20 30	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7225 30 00	— of a thickness of less than 1,5 mm
ex 7225 40 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7225 40 30	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
ex 7225 40 50	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass
7225 40 70	
7225 40 90	
7225 50 10	
7225 50 90	
ex 7225 90 10	— simply cut into shapes other than rectangular (including square)
ex 7226 10 10	— other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
7226 10 30	
ex 7226 20 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
7226 20 31	
ex 7226 91 10	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
ex 7226 91 90	— other than rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, other than in coils, of a thickness of 1,5 mm or more and of a width exceeding 500 mm
7226 92 10	
7227 10 00	
7227 20 00	
7227 90 10	

CN code	
7227 90 30	
7227 90 80	
7228 10 10	
7228 10 30	
7228 20 11	
7228 20 19	
7228 20 30	
7228 30 10	
7228 30 30	
7227 30 80	
7228 60 10	
7228 70 10	
7228 70 31	
7228 80 10	
ex 7228 80 90	— containing by weight 0,6 % or more of carbon
7301 10 00	

Pig iron category

CN code	
7201 10 19	
7201 10 30	
ex 7201 20 00	— containing by weight more than 1 % of silicon
7201 30 10	
7201 30 90	