COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

COM(94) 310 final Brussels, 15.07.1994 94/ 0169(ACC)

Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

amending Regulation (EC) No 314/94 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas and ceilings for certain agricultural and industrial products originating in Romania and Bulgaria (1994)

and Regulation (EC)

opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products originating in Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and Bulgaria and the arrangements for adapting these quotas (1994/1997)

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

- 1. The entry into force of the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the Community and Bulgaria was initially scheduled for 1 June 1993. As a result of internal Community difficulties this deadline could not be met, depriving the Bulgarians of the trade and tariff concessions provided for by the said Agreement. It finally entered into force on 1 December 1993.
- 2. The Community accordingly decided, in an agreement in the form of a exchange of letters, to grant Bulgaria compensation by transferring as from 1 July 1994, the tariff quotas and ceilings for 1993 (first year of application of the Interim Agreement) which were unused because of its late entry into force. Where appropriate, this transfer will take account of the quantities which would have been imported between 1 June and 30 December 1993 under the generalized preferences scheme.
- 3. The aim of this Regulation, therefore, is to adapt the amounts of the tariff quotas and ceilings opened in 1994 by Regulations (EC) No 314/94 of 7 February 1994 and No.../94 of..., opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas and ceilings for certain Central and Eastern European countries, including Bulgaria.

This is the aim of this proposal.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the European Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Bulgaria, of the other part, amended by the Additional Protocol concluded on 20 December 1993, provides for the opening by the Community of tariff quotas and ceilings for certain industrial products (Annex III to the Interim Agreement) and agricultural products (Annex XIIIb);

Whereas the entry into force of the Interim Agreement, scheduled for 1 June 1993, was delayed until 31 December 1993;

Whereas in an agreement in the form of an exchange of letters, approved by Council Decision No... of ... ³ the Community undertook, in the light of these circumstances, to transfer for the period from 1 July 1994 to 31 December 1995, the amounts provided for in the first year of application of the said Agreement, after deducting the amounts imported between 1 January 1993 and 30 December 1993 under the generalized preferences scheme for certain industrial products; and to transfer for the period from 1 July 1994 to 30 June 1997, the quotas provided for under the first year of application of the said Agreement for certain agricultural products;

¹ OJ No L 323, 23.12.1993, p.2.

^{2 0}J No L 25, 29.01.1994, p.27.

³ OJ No L ...,, p. ...

Whereas this transfer will be made progressively: in two instalments for industrial products, i.e. 40% as from 1 July 1994 and the remainder as from 1 January 1995, and in three equal instalments for agricultural products: on 1 July 1994, 1 July 1995 and 1 July 1996 respectively;

Whereas Council Regulation (EC) No 314/94 of 7 February 1994¹ (Annex I) and Council Regulation (EC) No.... of ../94 (Annexes I, II and III)² should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

- 1. As from 1 July 1994, the tariff quotas and ceilings opened by Regulation (EC) No 314/94 (Annex I) for certain industrial products originating in Bulgaria shall be increased by amounts calculated in accordance with the provisions of the agreement in the form of an exchange of letters (paragraph 1) approved by Council Decision (EC) No ... of ... 1994 and with the second paragraph of Protocol 7 to the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the Community and Bulgaria. Pursuant to the first paragraph of the said Protocol, the quantities imported under the generalized preferences scheme between 1 January 1993 to 30 December 1993 shall be deducted from the amounts thus calculated.
- 2. As from 1 July 1994, the tariff quotas opened by Regulation (EC) No/94 for certain agricultural products originating in Bulgaria shall be increased by amounts calculated in accordance with the provisions of the agreement in the form of an exchange of letters (paragraph 2) referred to in the first paragraph of this Article. These additional quantities, calculated according to the first paragraph of Protocol 7, pro rata temporis on the basis of the intended date of entry into force of 1 June 1993, shall be split into three equal parts, corresponding to each of the periods provided for by Annexes I, II, III of the Regulation in question.
- 3. In application of paragraphs 1 and 2, Annex I of Regulation (EC) No. 314/94 and Annexes I, II and III of Regulation (CE) No. .../94 shall be amended for Bulgaria, with effect from 1 July, 1994 in accordance with the provisions of the Annex of the present Regulation.

Article 2

In order to ensure compliance with this Regulation, the Commission shall take all appropriate measures, in close cooperation with the Member States.

¹ OJ No L 41, 12.02.1994, p.1.

² OJ No L ..., p. ...

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication. It shall apply with effect from 1 July 1994.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The Precident

ANNEX I

1. In Regulation (EC) n° 314/94, Annex I is replaced with respect to the tariff quotas and ceilings opened for Bulgaria by the following table:

Order number	NC Code	Origin	Quota Volume (in tonnes)	Volume of Ceilings (in ECU)
21.1061	2836 20 00 30	BU		5 578 857
09.6201	2905 31 00	BU	6 190 364	
21.1063	2918 14 00	BU		727 363
21.1065	2933 90 20	BU		365 782
21.1067	2936 27 00	BU		1 384 523
09.6203	3102 10 10	BU	622 550	٠,
09.6205	3102 10 10 21 00 29 00 50 90 60 00 70 00 90 00	BU	855 381	
09.6207	3102 30 10 30 90	BU	2 017 708	
21.1069	3102 40 10 40 90	BU		4 556 847
09.6209	3102 80 00	BU	5 093 125	
21.1071	3105	BU		9 524 994
21.1073	6403	BU		6 198 728
21.1075	6911	BU		3 039 892

2. In Regulation (EC) n°/94, the volumes the tariff quotas opened for Bulgaria in Annexes I, II and III of that Regulation are replaced by the volumes given below:

Order number	NC Code and TARIC subdivision	Description of merchandise (extracts of CN Codes) (a)	Origin (b)	Quota Volume (en tonnes) annex I	Quota Volume (in tonnes) annex II	Quota Volume (in tonne) annex III
09.6221	0603 10 13 0603 10 51 0603 10 53 0603 10 55		BU	175,3	185,3	195,3
09.6223	0701 90 51 0701 90 59 0701 90 90		BU	2 468,3	2 620,3	2 788,3
09.6225	0702 00 10 0701 00 90		BU	800,6	830,6	860,6
09.6227	0703 10 19		BU	302,8	322,8	342,8
09.6229	0703 20 00		BU	687,2	737,2	777,2
09.6231	0707 00 11 0707 00 90		BU	871,9	931,9	991,9
09.6233	0709 60 10		BU	1 035,8	1 105,8	1 175,8
09.6235	0710 21 00 0710 22 00 0710 29 00		80	372,3	392,3	422,3
09.6237	0710 80 85 0710 80 95		BU	569,4	599,4	639,4
09.6239	ex 0710 21 00 2003 10 20 2003 10 30	Mushrooms (*)	BU	1 463,6	1 523,6	1 583,6
09.6241	0713 40 90		BU	302,8	322,8	342,8
09.6243	0802 31 00 0802 32 00		BU	453,9	483,9	513,9

⁽a) The wording for the description of the products covered by this Annex is that of the Combined Nomenclature (OJ Nr. L 241 of 27.9.1993). For products having a Taric code, the combined Nomenclature description is supplemented by the product description appearing in column (3).

⁽b) HU - Hungary

PL - Poland

CZ - Czech Republic

SK - Slovakia

BU - Bulgaria

RO - Romania

Order number	NC Code and TARIC subdivision	Description of merchandise (extracts of CN Codes) (a)	Origin (b)	Quota Volume (en tonnes) annex I	Quota Volume (in tonnes) annex II	Quota Volume (in tonne) annex III
09.6245	0806 10 19 0806 10 99		BU	406,4	436,4	466,4
09.6247	0808 10 10 0808 10 31 0808 10 33 0808 10 39		BU	872,5	932,5	992,5
09.6249	0808 20 10 0808 20 39		BU	2 480	2 640	2 800
09.6251	0808 20 90		BU	209,2	219,2	229,2
09.6253	0809 10 00		BU	151,4	161,4	171,4
09.6255	0809 30		BU	550,8	586,8	622,8
09.6257	0809 40 11		BU	5 812,5	6 192,5	6 572,5
09.6259	0809 40 19		BU	1 362,5	1 452,5	1 542,5
09.6261	0810 10 10 0810 10 90		BU	2 137,5	2 277,5	2 417,5
09.6263	0812 10 00		BU	913,9	97,3,9	1 033,9
09.6265	0812 90 10		BU	103,2	110,2	117,2
09.6267	0813 40 80		BU	617,1	657,1	697,1
09.6269	1210 10 00 1210 20		BU	302,8	322,8	342,8
09.6271	1209 21 00 1209 22 00 1209 25 90 1209 29 10 1209 29 80 1209 91 90		BU	1 105,6	1 175,6	1 245,6
00 00	1209 99 99		-	-		
09.6273	1501 00 11		BU	4 796,7	5 106,7	5 426,7
09.6275	1502 11 91		BU	338,6	358,6	378,6
09.6277	1602 31 11 1602 39 19		BU	206,2	220,2	234,2

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Order number	NC Code and TARIC subdivision	Description of merchandise (extracts of CN Codes) (a)	Origin (b)	Quota Volume (en tonnes)	Quota Volume (in tonnes)	
				annex I	annex II	annex III
09.6279	2001 10 00		BU	2 410,3	2 570,3	2 730,3
09.6281	2002 10 00 2001 10 90	·	BU	8 401,8	8 711,8	9 021,8
09.6283	2002 90 10 2002 90 30 2002 90 90		BU	8 750,3	9 070,3	9 390,3
09.6285	2007 99 33		BU	115,5	122,5	129,5
09.6287	2008 50 71 2008 50 79 2008 50 91		BU	362,5	382,5	402,5
09.6289	2008 60 69		BU	90,8	96.8	104,8
09.6291	2008 70 79		BU	545,8	585,8	625,8
09.6293	2008 80 70		BU	523,9	558,9	593,9
09.6295	2008 90 55		BU	175,2	185,2	195,2
09.6297	2008 70 19		BU	4 511	4 871	5 231
09.6299	2401 10 60 2401 10 70 2401 20 60 2401 20 70		BU	7 161	7 161	7 161

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

- 1. BUDGET HEADING INVOLVED: Chapter 12, Article 120
- 2. LEGAL BASIS: Article 113 of the Treaty
- 3. TITLE OF THE TARIFF MEASURE: Draft Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 314/94 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas and ceilings for certain agricultural and industrial products originating in Romania and Bulgaria (1994) and Regulation (EC) No .../94 opening and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products originating in Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and Bulgaria and the arrangements for adapting these quotas (1994/1997)
- 4. OBJECTIVE: Fulfilment of an obligation arising from an agreement in the form of an exchange of letters.
- 5. Loss of revenue: no change. The aim of this Regulation is solely to transfer from year 1993 to years 1994 to 1997 the quota volumes for which theoretical loss of revenue had been calculated when the EC/Bulgaria Europe Agreement was concluded.

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