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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

relating to the conclusion of a Protocol adjusting trade aspects of the Agreement on free trade and trade-related matters between the European Communities, of the one part, and the Republic of Estonia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Austria, of the Republic of Finland and of the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union and the outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations on agriculture, including improvements to the existing preferential arrangements

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. The object of the attached proposal for a decision is to obtain the Council's approval for the outcome of the Commission's negotiations with Estonia on adjustments to the Free Trade Agreements and Europe Agreements to take account of the accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden to the Union and the outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations on agriculture. The decision also incorporates improvements to the Community's existing preferential arrangements, as per the negotiating brief from the Council.

2. This proposal and its additional Protocols will introduce on a permanent basis the autonomous measures now in force concerning **fishery products** (due to enlargement), and **agricultural products** (due to enlargement, the Uruguay Round and improvements decided by the Council). The adjustments in the field of **processed agricultural products** are a consequence of enlargement, the Uruguay Round and improvements decided by the Council.

Fishery products

The parts of the Protocol of Adjustment that concern fishery products reflect the existing autonomous measures.

Basic agricultural products

The Annexes relating to basic agricultural products reflect the concessions implemented by transitional and autonomous Community measures (Council Reg. No 1926/96) and include the following technical updates resulting from the globally managed (with the other CEECs) system (MIPS: Minimum Import Price System for soft fruits or quotas (live bovine animals)¹:

1. live bovine animals: introduction of CN codes 0102.90.21 and 0102.90.29 to reflect the extension of the animal weight limits (exceeding 80 kg, but not exceeding 300 kg);
2. bovine mountain breeds: increase in the quota from 5000 head to 7000 head;
3. soft fruits: new MIPS arrangements text in the "Annex to the Annex" including the 20% reduction in the existing minimum import prices (excluding blackcurrants) and 50% reduction in duties for the soft fruit concerned.

In the interests of simplification, the different annexes for each country concerned by the autonomous measures (Reg. 1926/96) have been put together in a single annex (plus the "Annex to the Annex" for MIPS arrangements) for each country.

¹ Moreover the Council mandate of 27 June 1996, referring to the adjustment of the Baltic FTA, clearly stated the importance of avoiding any legal and economic discrimination between the other CEECs and the Baltic States.

Processed agricultural products

The new Protocol 2 included in the draft Protocol of Adjustment replaces the current Protocol 2 to the Free Trade Agreement.

It consolidates the autonomous measures currently in force (Regulation (EC) No 340/97²) and extends the concessions in favour of Estonia through the abolition of the quota restrictions on goods which, upon import into the Community, are not subject to a specific agricultural component.

3. The Council's adoption of this proposal will enable the provisional arrangements currently in force to be replaced by more permanent, dependable arrangements, which will contribute to improving our trade ties with Estonia.

² OJ No L 58, 27.02.1997, p. 25. This Regulation expires on 30/06/1997. A proposal for its extension until 31/12/1997 is before the Council (COM(97) 262 final).

PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DECISION

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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, in conjunction with the first sentence of Article 228(2),

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas the Protocol adjusting trade aspects of the Agreement on free trade and trade-related matters between the European Communities, of the one part, and the Republic of Estonia, of the other part, hereinafter referred to as 'the Protocol', should be approved with a view to taking account of the accession of the Republic of Austria, of the Republic of Finland and of the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union and the outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations on agriculture, including improvements to the existing preferential arrangements;

Whereas the Commission should be authorised to take measures to implement the Protocol, notably with regard to basic and processed agricultural products;

Whereas by Regulations (EC) Nos 1926/96,³ 921/96⁴ and 340/97⁵ the Community brought forward implementation of the measures contained in the Protocol relating to basic agricultural products, processed agricultural products and fishery products, respectively; whereas, therefore, appropriate measures should be taken to ensure a smooth transition between the preferential arrangements applied under those Regulations and those provided for by the Protocol,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Protocol adjusting trade aspects of the Agreement on free trade and trade-related measures between the European Communities, of the one part, and Estonia, of the other part, is hereby approved on behalf of the Community. The text of the Protocol is attached to this Decision.

³ OJ L 254, 8.10.1996, p. 1

⁴ OJ L 126, 24.5.1996, p. 1

⁵ OJ L 58, 27.2.1997, p. 25

Article 2

1. Detailed rules for the application of this Decision shall be adopted by the Commission according to the procedure provided for in Article 23 of Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92,⁶ as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3290/94,⁷ or, where appropriate, in the relevant provisions of the other Regulations on the common organisation of the market or of Regulation (EC) No 3448/93⁸ or of Regulation (EC) No 2178/95.⁹
2. Upon this Decision taking effect, the regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant to Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 1926/96,¹⁰ implementing the concessions relating to products covered by the Protocol, shall be deemed to be governed by paragraph 1 above.

Article 3

1. Provisions for the application of tariff quotas and tariff ceilings provided for in the new Annexes to the Agreement on free trade and trade-related measures, including amendments and technical adaptations made necessary by amendments to the combined nomenclature and Taric codes, or arising from the conclusion by the Council of agreements, protocols or exchanges of letters between the Community and Estonia, shall be adopted by the Commission, assisted by the Customs Code Committee set up by Article 247 of Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92,¹¹ according to the procedure set out in paragraph 2 of this Article.

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 chair 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 chair shall not vote.

The Commission shall adopt the measures, which apply immediately. However, if these measures are not in accordance with the opinion of the Committee, they shall be communicated by the Commission to the Council forthwith. In that event:

- the Commission may defer application of the measures which it has decided for a period of not more than three months from the date of such communication,
- the Council, acting by qualified majority, may take a different decision within the period referred to in the first indent.

3. The Committee may examine any question concerning the application of tariff quotas and tariff ceilings, which is raised by its chair either at the latter's initiative or at the request of a Member State.

4. As soon as the tariff ceilings are reached, the Commission may adopt a regulation re-establishing, until the end of the calendar year, the customs duties applicable to third countries.

⁶ OJ L 181, 1.7.1992, p. 21

⁷ OJ L 349, 31.12.1994, p. 105

⁸ OJ L 318, 20.12.1993, p. 18

⁹ OJ L 223, 20.9.1995, p. 1

¹⁰ OJ L 254, 8.10.1996, p. 1

¹¹ OJ L 302, 14.10.1992, p. 1.

Article 4

The President of the Council shall, on behalf of the European Community, give the notification provided for in Article 6 of the Protocol adjusting trade aspects.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council,
The President

Protocol adjusting trade aspects of the Agreement on free trade and trade-related matters between the European Communities, of the one part, and the Republic of Estonia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Austria, of the Republic of Finland and of the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union and the outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations on agriculture, including improvements to the existing preferential arrangements

The European Community, hereinafter referred to as 'the Community', of the one part, and the Republic of Estonia, hereinafter referred to as 'Estonia', of the other part,

Whereas the Agreement on free trade and trade-related matters between the European Communities, of the one part, and Estonia, of the other part (hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement'), was signed in Brussels on 18 July 1994 and entered into force on 1 January 1995;

Whereas the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden acceded to the European Union on 1 January 1995;

Whereas, under the terms of Articles 76, 102 and 128 of the Act of Accession, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden have to apply, as from 1 January 1995, the provisions of the preferential agreements concluded by the Community with certain third countries, among them Estonia,

Whereas the Community adopted, as of 1 January 1995, transitional measures in the form of autonomous tariff quotas taking into account the preferential tariff concessions applied by the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to Estonia, and Estonia adopted, as from 1995, transitional measures in the form of autonomous tariff quotas taking into account the preferential tariff arrangements applied by Estonia to the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden, notably with regard to processed agricultural products

Whereas undertakings by the Community in the framework of the Uruguay Round negotiations require the amendment of the import tariff arrangements in the Community, notably with regard to basic and processed agricultural products;

Whereas the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the Community and the implementation of the Uruguay Round outcome are likely to affect the bilateral concessions granted under the Agreement, which should, therefore, be amended by means of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Agreement;

Whereas the Community adopted, as from 1 July 1996, transitional and autonomous measures establishing certain concessions in the form of Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural products and providing for the adjustment, as an autonomous and transitional measure, of certain agricultural concessions provided for in the Agreement on free trade and trade-related matters with Estonia to take account of the Agreement on Agriculture concluded during the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations; whereas the concessions concerned will be replaced on the date of entry into force of this Protocol by the concessions provided for herein;

Whereas the Council decided, by virtue of Decision 95/131/EC¹² of 20 February 1995, to apply on a provisional basis, as of 1 January 1995, the bilateral Agreement negotiated by the Commission on behalf of the European Community amending Protocol 1 to the Agreement to take into account the accession of the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union,

HAVE DECIDED to determine, by mutual agreement, the adjustments to be made to the trade aspects of the Agreement to take account, firstly, of the accession of the Republic of Austria, of the Republic of Finland and of the Kingdom of Sweden and, secondly, of the entry into force of the outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations on agriculture, and to this end have designated as their plenipotentiaries:

the European Community:

the Republic of Estonia:

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

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
(Textile products)

1. Article 14(2) of Appendix A to Protocol 1 shall be amended as follows:

"2. Each document shall bear a standardised serial number, whether or not printed, by which it can be identified.

This number shall be composed of the following elements:

- two letters identifying Estonia, as follows: EE,*
- two letters identifying the intended Member State of customs clearance as follows:*

AT= Austria

BL= Benelux

DE= Federal Republic of Germany

DK= Denmark

EL= Greece

ES= Spain

FI= Finland

FR= France

GB= United Kingdom

IE= Ireland

IT= Italy

PT= Portugal

SE= Sweden"

¹² OJ L 94, 26.4.1995, p. 1



Article 2
(Processed agricultural products)

1. Protocol 2 to the Agreement, relating to processed agricultural products, shall be replaced by the Protocol 2 contained in Annex A to this Protocol.

2. Article 3(1) of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

"1. The provisions of this chapter shall apply to products originating in the Community and in Estonia listed in Chapters 25 to 97 of the Combined Nomenclature, with the exception of the products listed in Annex I and Protocol 2".

3. Article 10 of the Agreement and Annex II to the Agreement shall be repealed.

4. Article 11(2) of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

"2. The term 'agricultural products' means the products listed in Chapters 1 to 24 of the Combined Nomenclature and the products listed in Annex I and Protocol 2, but excluding fishery products as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92."

Article 3
(Agricultural products)

1. Article 13(2) of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following paragraph:

"2. The concessions granted in this Agreement in relation to agricultural products are set out in Annex A."

2. The text of the new Annex appears at Annex B to this Protocol.

3. Annexes III, IV and V to the Agreement shall be repealed.

Article 4
(Fishery products)

Annex VI to the Agreement, relating to fishery products, shall be replaced by the Annex VI contained at Annex C to this Protocol.

Article 5

The Annexes to this Protocol shall form an integral part thereof. This Protocol shall form an integral part of the Agreement.

Article 6

This Protocol shall be approved by the Community and Estonia in accordance with their own procedures. The Contracting Parties shall take the necessary measures to implement this Protocol.

Article 7

This Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following notification of the completion of the procedures referred to in Article 6 by the Contracting Parties.

Article 8

This Protocol shall be drawn up in duplicate in the Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Swedish languages, each of those texts being equally authentic.

Done at Brussels,

For the European Community

For the Republic of Estonia

ANNEX A

PROTOCOL 2

ON TRADE BETWEEN ESTONIA AND THE COMMUNITY IN PROCESSED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Article 1

1. The Community applies to processed agricultural products originating in Estonia the duties listed in Annex in accordance with the conditions mentioned therein, whether limited by quota or not.
2. Imports into Estonia of processed agricultural products of Community origin shall be free of duty. However, in cases where Estonia wishes to apply a duty no such duty may be applied without the approval of the Joint Committee. Any duty approved shall not exceed the duty applicable to the quantity of agricultural products incorporated in the processed agricultural product in question.
3. The Joint Committee will decide :
 - the extension of the list of processed agricultural products under the present Protocol
 - the amendment of the duties mentioned in the Annexes
 - the increase or abolition of tariff quotas
3. The Joint Committee may replace the duties established by the present Protocol by a regime established on the basis of the respective market prices of the Community and Estonia of the agricultural products actually used in the manufacture of processed agricultural products subject to the present Protocol. It will establish the list of goods subject to these amounts and as a consequence, the list of basic products; to this end, it will decide the general rules of application.

Article 2

The duties applied conforming to Article 1 may be reduced by decision of the Joint Committee:

- when in trade between the Community and Estonia the duties applied to the basic products are reduced or
- in response to reductions resulting from mutual concessions relating to processed agricultural products.

The reductions provided for under the first indent will be calculated on the part of the duty designated as the agricultural component which shall correspond to the agricultural products actually used in the manufacture of the processed agricultural products in question and deducted from the duties applied to these basic agricultural products.

Article 3

The Community and Estonia will inform each other of the administrative arrangements adopted for the products covered by this Protocol.

Such arrangements should ensure equal treatment for all interested parties and should be as simple and flexible as possible.

ANNEX TO PROTOCOL 2

Table 1: Quotas applicable upon import into the Community of goods originating in Estonia

CN code	Description	Annual quota (1,000 kg)			
		1997	1998	1999	2000 and after
1	2	3	4	5	6
1704 10 11 1704 10 19 1704 90 71 1704 90 75	Sugar confectionery	165	180	195	210
ex 1806	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa, excluding CN code 1806 10 15	550	600	650	700
1905	Bakery goods	120	130	140	150
2102 10 39	Yeasts	2200	2400	2600	2800
2105 00	Ice-cream	12	13	14	15
2202 90 91 to 2202 90 99	Waters containing milk fat	600	660	720	780
2402 20 90	Cigarettes	55	60	65	70

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Table 2: Duties applicable upon import into the Community of goods originating in Estonia

Note: The Basic Amounts taken into consideration in calculating the reduced agricultural components and additional duties, applicable on importation into the Community of goods listed in this Table are those set out in Table 3 to this Annex.

CN code	Description	Duty ¹³			
		From 01/07/97 to 30/06/98	From 01/07/98 to 30/06/99	From 01/07/99 to 30/06/2000	As from 01/07/2000
1	2	3	4	5	6
1521 10 90	Vegetable waxes	0%	0%	0%	0%
1521 90 99	Beeswax	0%	0%	0%	0%
1704 10 11 1704 10 19 1704 90 71 1704 90 75	Sugar confectionery	EAR	EAR	EAR	EAR
1805 00 00	Cocoa powder	0%	0%	0%	0%
ex 1806	Chocolate and other food preparations containing cocoa, excluding CN code 1806 10 15	EAR	EAR	EAR	EAR
1806 10 15	Cocoa powder, containing no sucrose or containing less than 5% by weight of sucrose (including invert sugar expressed as sucrose) or isoglucose expressed as sucrose	0%	0%	0%	0%
1905	Bakery goods	EAR	EAR	EAR	EAR
2102 10 39	Yeasts	EAR	EAR	EAR	EAR

¹³ The reduced agricultural components (EAR) apply within the quantitative limits set out in Table 1. Imports exceeding these quantities are subject to the agricultural components (EA) set out in the Common Customs Tariff (Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 as amended). EA may be subject to a maximum duty which, if appropriate, is set out in the Common Customs Tariff.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
2103 90 90	Sauces and preparations	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%	3.2%
2104	Soups and broths and preparations therefor; homogenised composite food preparations :				
2104 10	Soups and broths and preparations therefor	5.7%	5.3%	4.9%	4.5%
2104 20 00	Homogenised composite food preparations	7.1%	6.5%	6.0%	5.5%
2105 00	Ice-cream	EAR	EAR	EAR	EAR
2201 10 19	Other mineral waters	0%	0%	0%	0%
2202 10 00	Refreshing drinks	0%	0%	0%	0%
2202 90 91 to 2202 90 99	Waters containing milk fat	EAR	EAR	EAR	EAR
2203 00	Beer	4.4%	3.5%	2.6%	0%
2208 60 11	Vodka	0.52 ECU % vol/hl + 2.53 ECU/hl	0.26 ECU % vol/hl + 1.27 ECU/hl	0%	0%
2208 70 10	Liqueurs	0.64 ECU % vol/hl + 4.10 ECU/hl	0.32 ECU % vol/hl + 2.05 ECU/hl	0%	0%
2208 90 69	Other spirituous beverages	0.64 ECU % vol/hl + 4.10 ECU/hl	0.32 ECU % vol/hl + 2.05 ECU/hl	0%	0%
2402 20 90	Cigarettes	36.9%	34.2%	31.5%	28.8%
3302 10 29	Mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures; other preparations based on odoriferous substances	EA	EA	EA	EA

1	2	3	4	5	6
2905 43 00	-- Mannitol	EA	EA	EA	EA
2905 44	-- D-glucitol (sorbitol)	EA	EA	EA	EA
ex 3505 10	Dextrins and other modified starches, excluding starches, esterified or etherified of subheading 3505 10 50	EA	EA	EA	EA
3505 20	Glues with a basis of starches, dextrins and other modified starches	EA	EA	EA	EA
3809 10	Dressings and finishing agents with a basis of amylaceous substances	EA	EA	EA	EA
3824 60	Sorbitol other than that of subheading 2905 44	EA	EA	EA	EA

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Table 3: Basic amounts taken into consideration in calculating the reduced agricultural components and additional duties applicable on importation into the Community of goods listed in Table 2

Basic product	From 01/07/1997 until 30/06/1998	From 01/07/1998 until 30/06/1999	From 01/07/1999 until 30/06/2000	As from 01/07/2000
	ECU/100 kg			
Common wheat	8.524	7.900	7.277	6.653
Durum wheat	13.231	12.263	11.295	10.326
Rye	8.306	7.698	7.090	6.483
Barley	8.306	7.698	7.090	6.483
Maize	7.408	7.408	7.193	6.577
Long-grain husked rice	23.706	21.972	20.237	18.502
Skimmed-milk powder	26.730	25.740	24.750	23.760
Whole-milk powder	33.423	30.978	28.532	26.086
Butter	48.575	45.021	41.467	37.912
White sugar	32.565	31.795	30.573	29.350

ANNEX A

Imports into the Community of the following products originating in Estonia shall be subject to the concessions set out below (MFN = most favoured nations duty) :

CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
0102.90.05	Live bovine animals of a live weight not exceed. 80kg	20	178 000 head	178 000 head	178 000 head	178 000 head	(3)
0102.90.21 0102.90.29 0102.90.41 0102.90.49	Live bovine animals of a live weight exceeding 80kg but not exceeding 300 kg		153 000 head	153 000 head	153 000 head	153 000 head	
ex 0102.90	Heifers and cows of the following mountain breeds: grey, brown, yellow, spotted Simmental and Pinzgau	6% ad valorem	7000 head	7000 head	7000 head	7000 head	(4)
0201 0202	Meat of bovines, fresh, chilled or frozen	20	1650	1725	1800	1875	(5)
0203	Meat of domestic swine, fresh, chilled or frozen	20	1100	1150	1200	1250	(6)

CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
0204	Meat of sheep or goats	free	110	115	120	125	(5)
0207.11.30 0207.11.90 0207.12.10 0207.12.90 0207.13.50 0207.13.60 0207.14.50 0207.14.60	Chicken carcasses; breast of chicken; legs of chicken	20	550	575	600	625	
81 ex 0208.90.40	Other meat : meat of elk	free	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0402.10.19 0402.21.19	Skimmed milk powder Whole milk powder	20	3300	3450	3600	3750	
0405.10.11 0405.10.19	Butter	20	1650	1725	1800	1875	
0406	Cheeses	20	880	920	960	1000	

CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
0408.11	Dried egg yolks	20	110	115	120	125	
0409.00.00	Natural honey	64	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0601.10	Bulbs, tuberous roots, corms, crowns and rhizomes, dormant	64	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0602.10.90	Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips Unrooted cuttings and slips Other	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0602.20.90	Fruit trees, shrubs and bushes, other	64	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0602.30.00	Rhododendrons and azaleas	20	770	805	840	875	

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CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
0602.40	Roses, live plant	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0602.90	Other live plants , except :	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0602.90.91	Flowering plants with buds	92	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
ex0602.90.30	Strawberry plants	64	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0603.90.00	Cut flowers, other than fresh	20	56	59	62	65	
0604.91.21 0604.91.29	Christmas trees	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0604.91.49	Conifer branches, fresh, other	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0604.99	Other than fresh	free	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0701	Potatoes, fresh or chilled	20	2000	2100	2200	2300	
0703.10	Onions and shallots	20	100	100	100	100	

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CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
0704	Cabbages, etc., fresh or chilled	20	220	230	240	250	
0707.00.25 0707.00.30	Cucumbers, fresh or chilled (from 16 May to 31 October)	20	166	174	182	190	
0709.51.30	Chanterelles	free	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0709.51.90	Mushrooms, fresh , other than <i>Agaricus</i>	52	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0711.40.00	Cucumbers and gherkins, provisionally preserved	20	56	59	62	65	
0712.90.05	Dried potatoes	20	66	69	72	75	
0808	Apples, pears and quinces, fresh	20	220	230	240	250	
0809.40.90	Sloes	47	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0810.10	Strawberries, fresh	25	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	(7)

CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
'0810.30.10	Blackcurrants, fresh	41	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	(7)
0810.30.30	Redcurrants, fresh	41	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	(7)
0810.30.90	Other, than black- and redcurrants	42	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0810.40.30 0810.40.50	Bilberries of the species " <i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i> " Fruit of the species " <i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i> " and " <i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i> "	free 74	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
ex0810.90.85	Other berries, fresh	42	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0811.10	Strawberries, frozen	20	550	575	600	625	(7)

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CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
ex 0811.20	Berries, frozen ; except :	66	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
ex 0811.20.19	Frozen raspberries, containing add. sugar or other sweet. matter, not exceeding 13% by weight : whole fruit	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.19	Frozen raspberries, containing add. sugar or other sweet. matter, not exceeding 13% by weight : other	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.31	Frozen raspberries, containing no add. sugar or other sweet. matter : whole fruit	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.31	Frozen raspberries, containing no add. sugar or other sweet. matter : other	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.39	Frozen blackcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweet. matter : without stalk	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.39	Frozen blackcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweet. matter : other	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.51	Frozen redcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweet. matter : without stalk	33					(7)
ex 0811.20.51	Frozen redcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweet. matter : other	33					(7)
0811.90.50	<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i> , frozen	47	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0901.21.00	Coffee, not decaffeinated, roasted	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
0910.91.90	Spices, crushed or ground	20	276	289	302	315	
1214.90.10	Swedes, mangolds and other fodder roots	free	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	

CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
1502.00	Fats of bovine animals	free	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
1506.00.00	Other animal fats and oils	free	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
1514.90.90	Rape ,colza....., other than crude oil	20	110	115	120	125	
1601.00	Sausages and similar products	20	550	575	600	625	
1602.41.90	Prepared or preserved meat of swine, other	20	56	59	62	65	
2005.90.75	Preparations of vegetables : Sauerkraut	50	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited	
2009.70.30 2009.80.50	Apple juice and pear juice of a density not exceeding 1,33 g/cm ³ at 20°C: Of a value exceeding ECU 18 per 100 kg net weight, containing added sugar : Apple juice Pear juice	20	56	59	62	65	
2009.70.93	Of a value not exceeding ECU 18 per 100 kg net weight, with an added sugar content not exceeding 30% by weight : Apple juice						
2009.70.99 2009.80.69	Apple juice, not containing added sugar Pear juice, not containing added sugar						

CN code	Description (1)	applicable duty (% of MFN) (2)	ANNUAL QUANTITIES				specific provisions
			from 1.7.1997 to 30.6.1998 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1998 to 30.6.1999 (tonnes)	from 1.7.1999 to 30.6.2000 (tonnes)	from 1.7.2000 (tonnes)	
2207.10.00	Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength by volume of 80% vol. or higher	20	56	59	62	65	

(1) Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording for the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than indicative value, the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by the coverage of the CN code.

Where ex CN codes are indicated the preferential scheme is to be determined by application to the CN code and corresponding description taken together.

(2) In cases where an MFN minimum duty exists, the applicable minimum duty is equal to the MFN minimum duty multiplied by the percentage indicated in this column.

(3) The quota for this product is opened in the Czech Republic, the Slovak Republic, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Poland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. In the event that imports into the Community of live bovine domestic animals exceed 500.000 head for any given year, the Community may take the management measures needed to protect its market, notwithstanding any other rights conferred by the Agreement.

(4) The quota for this product is opened in the Czech Republic, the Slovak Republic, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Poland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. The applied duty is 6%.

(5) The quota for this product is opened for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania as a whole. The Community may take into account, in the framework of its legislation and when appropriate, the supply needs of its market and the need to maintain its market balance.

(6) Excluding tenderloin presented alone

(7) Subject to minimum import price arrangements.

ANNEX TO ANNEX A

Minimum import price arrangement for certain soft fruit for processing

1. Minimum import prices are fixed as follows for the following products for processing originating in Estonia:

CN Code	Description	Minimum import price (ECU/100 kg net)
ex 0810 10	Strawberries, fresh, intended for processing	51,4
ex 0810 30 10	Blackcurrants, fresh, intended for processing	38,5
ex 0810 30 30	Redcurrants, fresh, intended for processing	23,3
ex 0811.10.11	Frozen strawberries, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a sugar content exceeding 13 % by weight : whole fruit	75.0
ex 0811.10.11	Frozen strawberries, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a sugar content exceeding 13 % by weight : other	57.6
ex 0811.10.19	Frozen strawberries, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a sugar content not exceeding 13% by weight : whole fruit	75.0
ex 0811.10.19	Frozen strawberries, containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, with a sugar content not exceeding 13% by weight : other	57.6
ex 0811 10 90	Frozen strawberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : whole fruit	75
ex 0811 10 90	Frozen strawberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : other	57,6
ex 0811.20.19	Frozen raspberries, containing additional sugar or other sweetening matter not exceeding 13 % by weight : whole fruit	99.5
ex 0811.20.19	Frozen raspberries, containing additional sugar or other sweetening matter not exceeding 13 % by weight : other	79.6
ex 0811 20 31	Frozen raspberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : whole fruit	99,5
ex 0811 20 31	Frozen raspberries, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : other	79,6
ex 0811 20 39	Frozen blackcurrants, containing no added sugar or other	62,8

	sweetening matter : without stalk	
ex 0811 20 39	Frozen blackcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : other	44,8
ex 0811 20 51	Frozen redcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : without stalk	39
ex 0811 20 51	Frozen redcurrants, containing no added sugar or other sweetening matter : other	29,5

2. The minimum import prices, as set out in Article 1, will be respected on a consignment by consignment basis. In the case of a customs declaration value being lower than the minimum import price, a countervailing duty will be charged equal to the difference between the minimum import price and the customs declaration value.
3. If the import prices of a given product covered by this Annex show a trend suggesting that the prices could go below the level of the minimum import prices in the immediate future, the European Commission will inform the Estonian authorities in order to enable them to correct the situation.
4. At the request of either the Community or Estonia, the Joint Committee shall examine the functioning of the system or the revision of the level of the minimum import prices. If appropriate, the Joint Committee shall take the necessary decisions.
5. To encourage and promote the development of trade and for the mutual benefit of all parties concerned, a consultation meeting will be organised three months before the beginning of each marketing year in the European Community. This consultation meeting will take place between the European Commission and the interested European producers' organisations for the products concerned, on the one part and the authorities', producers' and exporters' organisations of all the associated exporting countries, on the other part.

During this consultation meeting, the market situation for soft fruit including, in particular, forecasts for production, stock situation, price evolution and possible market development, as well as possibilities to adapt supply to demand, will be discussed.

ANNEX C

List of products referred to in Article 16 (1)

ANNEX VI

List of products originating in Estonia subject to reduced or zero-duty tariff quotas

CN codes	Taric subdivision	Description	Quota duty	Tariff quotas
0301 92 00 0302 66 00 0303 76 00		Eels (<i>Anguilla</i> spp.), live, fresh/chilled or frozen	0%	100 t
0302 50 0302 69 35 0303 60 0303 79 41		Cod (<i>Gadus morhua</i> , <i>Gadus ogac</i> , <i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>) and fish of the species <i>Boreogadus saida</i> , fresh, chilled or frozen	6%	2 500 t
0302 50 10		Cod (<i>Gadus morhua</i>), fresh or chilled	0%	870 t
0302 69 19 0303 79 19		Other fish, fresh, chilled or frozen	4%	1 000 t
ex 0302 69 19	*10	Perch, pike and pike-perch, fresh or chilled	0%	220 t
ex 0304 10 19 ex 0304 20 19	*20 *90 *20 *30 *90	Fillets of other freshwater fish, fresh, chilled or frozen, excluding carp	4,5%	500 t
de 0304 10 11 à 0304 10 38 0304 20		Fish fillets, fresh, chilled or frozen	0%	360 t
ex 1604 13 90	*91 *92	Brisling or sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>), prepared or preserved	10%	350 t
ex 1604 19 94 ex 1604 19 95	*10 *10	Hake (<i>Merluccius</i> spp.), prepared or preserved Alaska pollack (<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>), prepared or preserved	} 10 %	} 60 t
1604 20 10		Prepared or preserved salmon	0%	270 t
1604 20 70		Prepared or preserved tuna, skipjack or other fish of the genus <i>Euthynnus</i>	0%	150 t
1604 20 90		Other fish, prepared or preserved	0%	1 360 t

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