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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 151/2006

of 24 January 2006

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

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 20 December 1996 the Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products⁽¹⁾. Community demand for the products in question is to be met under the most favourable conditions. New Community tariff quotas should therefore be opened at reduced or zero rates of duty for appropriate volumes, and certain existing tariff quotas should be extended, without disturbing the markets for these products.
- (2) Since the quota amount for certain Community tariff quotas is insufficient to meet the needs of Community industry for the current quota period, these tariff quotas should be increased with effect from 1 January 2005 and adjusted with effect from 1 January 2006.
- (3) It is no longer in the Community's interest to continue to grant Community tariff quotas in 2006 for certain products on which duties were suspended in 2005. These products should therefore be removed from the table in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96.
- (4) In view of the many changes to be made, the entire text of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 should be replaced in the interests of clarity.
- (5) Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) In view of the economic importance of this Regulation, it is necessary to rely upon the grounds of urgency provided for in point I.3 of the Protocol annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaties establishing the European Communities on the role of national parliaments in the European Union.

(7) Since the Annex to this Regulation is to apply from 1 January 2006, it should enter into force immediately,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 shall be replaced by the Annex to this Regulation with effect from 1 January 2006.

Article 2

For the quota period from 1 January to 31 December 2005, in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96:

- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2603 is fixed at 3 900 tonnes at a 0 % rate of duty,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2975 is fixed at 540 tonnes at a 0 % rate of duty.

Article 3

For the quota period from 1 January to 31 December 2006, in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96:

- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2002 is fixed at 600 tonnes,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2003 is fixed at 1 400 000 units,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 345, 31.12.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1151/2005 (OJ L 185, 16.7.2005, p. 27).

- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2030 is fixed at 300 tonnes,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2603 is fixed at 4 500 tonnes,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2612 is fixed at 1 500 tonnes,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2624 is fixed at 425 tonnes,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2837 is fixed at 600 tonnes,
- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2975 is fixed at 600 tonnes,

- the quota amount of tariff quota 09.2979 is fixed at 800 000 units.

Article 4

Tariff quotas 09.2004, 09.2009, 09.2018, 09.2021, 09.2022, 09.2023, 09.2028, 09.2613, 09.2621, 09.2622, 09.2623, 09.2626, 09.2630, 09.2881, 09.2964, 09.2985 and 09.2998 shall be closed with effect from 1 January 2006.

Article 5

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

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

Done at Brussels, 24 January 2006.

For the Council
The President
K.-H. GRASSER

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	TARIC subdivision	Description	Quota amount	Quota duty (%)	Quota period
09.2002	2928 00 90	30	Phenylhydrazine	600 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2003	8543 89 97	63	Voltage controlled frequency generator, consisting of active and passive elements mounted on a printed circuit, contained in a housing whose exterior dimensions do not exceed 30 × 30 mm	1 400 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2026	2903 30 80	70	1,1,1,2 Tetrafluoroethane, certified odourless containing a maximum: — 600 ppm by weight of 1,1,2,2-Tetrafluoroethane — 2 ppm by weight of pentafluoroethane — 2 ppm by weight of chlorodifluoromethane — 2 ppm by weight of chloropentafluoroethane — 2 ppm by weight of dichlorodifluoromethane for use in the manufacture of pharmaceutical grade propellant for medical metred dose inhalers (a)	4 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2030	2926 90 95	74	Chlorothalonil	300 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2140	3824 90 99	98	Mixture of tertiary amines containing by weight: — 2,0-4,0 % of N,N-dimethyl-1-octanamine — minimum 94 % of N,N-dimethyl-1-decanamine — 2 % maximum of N,N-dimethyl-1-dodecanamine and higher	4 500 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2602	ex 2921 51 19	10	o-phenylenediamine	1 800 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2603	ex 2931 00 95	15	Bis(3-triethoxysilylpropyl) tetrasulfide	4 500 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2604	ex 3905 30 00	10	Poly(vinyl alcohol) partially acetalized with 5-(4-azido-2-sulfobenzylidene)-3-(formylpropyl)-rhodanine, sodium salt	100 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2610	ex 2925 20 00	20	(Chloromethylene)dimethylammonium chloride	100 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2611	ex 2826 19 00	10	Calcium fluoride having a total content of aluminium, magnesium and sodium of 0,25 mg/kg or less, in the form of powder	55 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.

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09.2612	ex 2921 59 90	30	3,3'-dichlorobenzidine dihydrochloride	1 500 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2615	ex 2934 99 90	70	Ribonucleic acid	110 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2616	ex 3910 00 00	30	Polydimethylsiloxane with a degree of polymerisation of 2 800 monomer units (± 100)	1 300 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2618	ex 2918 19 80	40	(R)-2-Chloromandelic acid	100 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2619	ex 2934 99 90	71	2-Thienylacetonitrile	80 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2620	ex 8526 91 80	20	Assembly for GPS system having a position determination function	500 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2624	2912 42 00		Ethylvanillin (3-ethoxy-4-hydroxybenzaldehyde)	425 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2625	ex 3920 20 21	20	Film of polymers of polypropylene, biaxially oriented, of a thickness of 3,5 μm or more but less than 15 μm , of a width of 490 mm or more but not exceeding 620 mm, for the production of film capacitors (a)	170 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2627	ex 7011 20 00	55	Glass face-plate with a diagonal measurement of 814,8 mm ($\pm 1,5$ mm) from the outer edge to the outer edge and having a light transmission of 51,1 % ($\pm 2,2$ %) by a glass thickness of 12,5 mm	500 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2628	ex 7019 52 00	10	Glass web woven from glass fibre coated in plastic, of a weight of 120 g/m^2 (± 10 g/m^2) of a type used in the manufacture of anti-insect rollers and framed nets	350 000 m^2	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2629	ex 7616 99 90	85	Aluminium telescopic handle for use in the manufacture of luggage (a)	240 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2703	ex 2825 30 00	10	Vanadium oxides and hydroxides only for the production of alloys (a)	13 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2713	ex 2008 60 19 ex 2008 60 39	10 10	Sweet cherries, marinated in alcohol, of a diameter not exceeding 19,9 mm, stoned, intended for the manufacture of chocolate products (a): — with a sugar content exceeding 9 % by weight — with a sugar content not exceeding 9 % by weight	2 000 tonnes	10 ⁽¹⁾ 10	1.1. to 31.12.

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09.2719	ex 2008 60 19 ex 2008 60 39	20 20	Sour cherries (<i>Prunus cerasus</i>), marinated in alcohol, of a diameter not exceeding 19,9 mm, intended for the manufacture of chocolate products (a): — with a sugar content exceeding 9 % by weight — with a sugar content not exceeding 9 % by weight	2 000 tonnes	10 (1) 10	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2727	ex 3902 90 90	93	Synthetic poly-alpha-olefin having a viscosity of at least $38 \times 10^{-6} \text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ (38 centistokes) at 100 °C measured using the ASTM D 445 method	10 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2799	ex 7202 49 90	10	Ferro-chromium containing 1,5 % or more but not more than 4 % by weight of carbon and not more than 70 % of chromium	50 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2809	ex 3802 90 00	10	Acid activated montmorillonite, for the manufacture of self-copy paper (a)	10 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2829	ex 3824 90 99	19	Solid extract of the residual, insoluble in aliphatic solvents, obtained during the extraction of resin from wood, having the following characteristics: — a resin acid content not exceeding 30 % by weight, — an acid number not exceeding 110 and — a melting point of not less than 100 °C	1 600 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2837	ex 2903 49 80	10	Bromochloromethane	600 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2841	ex 2712 90 99	10	Blend of 1-alkenes containing 80 % by weight or more of 1-alkenes of a chain-length of 20 and 22 carbon atoms	10 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2849	ex 0710 80 69	10	Mushrooms of the species <i>Auricularia polytricha</i> (uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling), frozen, for the manufacture of prepared meals (a) (b)	700 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2851	ex 2907 12 00	10	O-Cresol having a purity of not less than 98,5 % by weight	20 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2853	ex 2930 90 70	35	Glutathione	15 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2882	ex 2908 90 00	20	2,4-Dichloro-3-ethyl-6-nitrophenol, powdered	90 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2889	3805 10 90	—	Sulphate turpentine	20 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2904	ex 8540 11 19	95	Flat-screen colour cathode-ray tube with a screen width/height ratio 4/3, a diagonal measurement of the screen of 79 cm or more but not exceeding 81 cm and a curvature radius of 50 m or more	8 500 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.

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09.2913	ex 2401 10 41 ex 2401 10 49 ex 2401 10 50 ex 2401 10 70 ex 2401 10 90 ex 2401 20 41 ex 2401 20 49 ex 2401 20 50 ex 2401 20 70 ex 2401 20 90	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	Natural unmanufactured tobacco, whether or not cut in regular size, having a customs value of not less than EUR 450 per 100 kg net weight, for use as binder or wrapper for the manufacture of goods falling within subheading 2402 10 00 (a)	6 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2914	ex 3824 90 99	26	Aqueous solution containing by weight not less than 40 % of dry betaine extract and 5 % or more but not more than 30 % by weight of organic or inorganic salts	38 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2917	ex 2930 90 13	90	Cystine	600 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2919	ex 8708 29 90	10	Folding bellows for the manufacture of articulated buses (a)	2 600 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2933	ex 2903 69 90	30	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	2 600 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2935	3806 10 10	—	Rosin and resin acids obtained from fresh oleoresins	200 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2945	ex 2940 00 00	20	D-Xylose	400 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2947	ex 3904 69 90	95	Poly(vinylidene fluoride), in powder form, for the preparation of paint or varnish for coating metal (a)	1 300 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2950	ex 2905 59 10	10	2-Chloroethanol, for the manufacture of liquid thioplasts of subheading 4002 99 90 (a)	8 400 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2955	ex 2932 19 00	60	Flurtamone (ISO)	300 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2975	ex 2918 30 00	10	Benzophenone-3,3':4,4'-tetracarboxylic dianhydride	600 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2976	ex 8407 90 10	10	Four-stroke petrol engines of a cylinder capacity not exceeding 250 cm ³ for use in the manufacture of lawnmowers of subheading 8433 11 (a) or mowers with motor of subheading 8433 20 10 (a)	750 000 units (c)	0	1.7.2005 to 30.6.2006
09.2979	ex 7011 20 00	15	Glass face-plate with a diagonal measurement from the outer edge to the outer edge of 81,5 cm ($\pm 0,2$ cm) and having a light transmission of 80 % (± 3 %) by a reference thickness of the glass of 11,43 mm	800 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.

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09.2981	ex 8407 33 90 ex 8407 90 80 ex 8407 90 90	10 10 10	Spark-ignition reciprocating or rotary internal combustion piston engines, having a cylinder capacity of not less than 300 cc and a power of not less than 6 but not exceeding 15,5 kW, for the manufacture of: — self-propelled lawn mowers with a seat of subheading 8433 11 51 — tractors of subheading 8701 90 11, having the main function of a lawn mower or — four-stroke mowers with a motor capacity of not less than 300 cc of subheading 8433 20 10 (a)	210 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2986	ex 3824 90 99	76	Mixture of tertiary amines containing: — 60 % by weight of dodecyltrimethylamine, or more — 20 % by weight of dimethyl(tetradecyl)amine, or more — 0,5 % by weight of hexadecyltrimethylamine, or more, for use in the production of amine oxides (a)	14 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2992	ex 3902 30 00	93	Propylene-butylene copolymer, containing by weight not less than 60 % but not more than 68 % of propylene and not less than 32 % but not more than 40 % of butylene, of a melt viscosity not exceeding 3 000 mPa at 190 °C, as determined by the ASTM D 3236 method, for use as an adhesive in the manufacture of products falling within subheading 4818 40 (a)	1 000 tonnes	0	1.1. to 31.12.
09.2995	ex 8536 90 85 ex 8538 90 99	95 93	Keypads, — comprising a layer of silicone and polycarbonate keytops or — wholly of silicone or wholly of polycarbonate, including printed keys, for the manufacture or repair of mobile radio-telephones of subheading 8525 20 20 (a)	20 000 000 units	0	1.1. to 31.12.

(a) Checks on this prescribed end use shall be carried out pursuant to the relevant Community provisions.

(b) However, the tariff quota is not allowed where processing is carried out by retail or catering undertakings.

(c) The quantities of goods subject to this quota and released for free circulation as from 1 July 2005, as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1151/2005, shall be fully counted against this quantity.

(¹) The specific additional duty is applicable.