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I

(Acts whose publication is obligatory)

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 547/2006
of 3 April 2006
establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 of 21 December 1994 on detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements for fruit and vegetables ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the

standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto.

- (2) In compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 4 April 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 April 2006.

For the Commission

J. L. DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 386/2005 (OJ L 62, 9.3.2005, p. 3).

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to Commission Regulation of 3 April 2006 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)		
CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	052	86,3
	204	48,5
	212	102,0
	999	78,9
0707 00 05	052	106,1
	204	40,5
	628	155,5
	999	100,7
0709 90 70	052	120,2
	204	44,3
	999	82,3
0805 10 20	052	67,6
	204	39,0
	212	48,8
	220	41,5
	400	58,7
	624	65,8
	999	53,6
0805 50 10	052	41,3
	624	69,1
	999	55,2
0808 10 80	388	78,8
	400	118,3
	404	101,5
	508	81,9
	512	74,9
	524	73,0
	528	83,1
	720	110,4
	804	123,0
	999	93,9
0808 20 50	388	63,9
	512	70,4
	528	63,6
	720	44,1
	999	60,5

⁽¹⁾ Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 750/2005 (OJ L 126, 19.5.2005, p. 12). Code '999' stands for 'of other origin'.

II

(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

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COMMISSION DECISION

of 27 March 2006

amending Decision 2005/648/EC concerning protection measures in relation to Newcastle disease in Bulgaria

(notified under document number C(2006) 893)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2006/263/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from third countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 18(7) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 97/78/EC of 18 December 1997 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 22(6) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Newcastle disease is a highly contagious viral disease in poultry and birds and there is a risk that the disease agent might be introduced via international trade in live poultry and poultry products.
- (2) Commission Decision 2005/648/EC of 8 September 2005 concerning protection measures in relation to Newcastle disease in Bulgaria ⁽³⁾ was adopted following

an outbreak of Newcastle disease in the administrative region of Vratsa. That Decision suspends the importation of live poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game and hatching eggs, fresh meat and meat preparations and meat products from these species.

- (3) On 23 January 2006 Bulgaria confirmed an outbreak of Newcastle disease in the administrative district of Blagoevgrad in Bulgaria.
- (4) Taking account of the current epidemiology situation in Bulgaria in relation to Newcastle disease and the fact that that country has applied certain disease control measures and has sent further information on the disease situation to the Commission. On the basis of this information, it appears that the situation in Bulgaria, except for the regions of Vratsa and Blagoevgrad is still satisfactory. It is therefore appropriate to limit the suspension of imports to those regions and to prolong the period of application of Decision 2005/648/EC.
- (5) The Annex to Decision 2005/648/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) In order to authorise imports of meat products subjected to a heat treatment sufficient to inactivate any possible virus in the meat, it is necessary to specify the required treatment for poultry meat in the health certificates drawn up in accordance with Annexes III and IV to Commission Decision 2005/432/EC ⁽⁴⁾.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee of the Food Chain and Animal Health,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 56. Directive as last amended by the 2003 Act of Accession.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 9. Directive as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 238, 15.9.2005, p. 16.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 151, 14.6.2005, p. 3.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

accordance with the model set out Annex IV to Decision 2005/432/EC:

Article 1

Decision 2005/648/EC is amended as follows:

“Meat products treated in accordance with Commission Decision 2005/648/EC”;

1. in Article 5 the date ‘23 August 2006’ is replaced by ‘23 January 2007’;

3. the Annex is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

2. the following paragraphs are added to Article 3:

Article 2

Member States shall immediately take the necessary measures to comply with this Decision and publish those measures. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

‘4. The specific treatment applied in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Article shall be specified in point 9.1 column B in the veterinary certificate drawn up in accordance with the model set out in Annex III to Decision 2005/432/EC, and the following wording shall be added to that certificate:

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

“Meat products treated in accordance with Commission Decision 2005/648/EC”.

Done at Brussels, 27 March 2006.

5. The specific treatment applied in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Article shall be certified by adding the following wording to the veterinary certificate drawn up in

For the Commission
Markos KYPRIANOU
Member of the Commission

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Administrative district of Blagoevgrad

Administrative district of Vratsa'

COMMISSION DECISION**of 27 March 2006****concerning protection measures in relation to Newcastle disease in Romania***(notified under document number C(2006) 892)***(Text with EEA relevance)****(2006/264/EC)**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from third countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 18 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 97/78/EC of 18 December 1997 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 22 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Newcastle disease is a highly contagious viral disease in poultry and birds and there is a risk that the disease agent might be introduced via international trade in live poultry and poultry products.
- (2) Romania has notified to the Commission the occurrence of outbreaks of Newcastle disease on its territory.
- (3) In view of the animal health risk of disease introduction into the Community, it is therefore appropriate to take measures in relation to imports of live poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game birds and hatching eggs of these species from Romania.
- (4) Romania has communicated further information on the disease situation and asked for regionalisation to suspend importation into the Community from those regions affected by the disease only, since the situation in the rest of the country appears to be satisfactory. The information available at present gives the possibility to reduce the protection measures to specific regions.

- (5) The information presented to the Commission shows that the disease was suspected in Romania for the first time on 22 November 2005.

- (6) Therefore, taking into account the incubation period of the disease, the importation into the Community from the affected regions in Romania should be suspended for fresh meat of poultry, ratites and wild and farmed feathered game, meat preparations and meat products consisting of, or containing meat of those species, obtained from birds slaughtered after 1 October 2005.

- (7) Commission Decision 2005/432/EC of 3 June 2005 laying down the animal and public health conditions and model certificates for imports of meat products for human consumption from third countries and repealing Decisions 97/41/EC, 97/221/EC and 97/222/EC ⁽³⁾ lays down the list of third countries or parts thereof from which meat products are authorised for importation into the Community and establishes treatment regimes for meat products considered effective in inactivating certain pathogens.

- (8) In order to prevent the risk of disease transmission via the products covered by Decision 2005/432/EC, appropriate treatment should be applied depending on the health status of the country of origin and the species the product is obtained from. It is therefore appropriate that imports of poultry meat products, originating from the affected regions in Romania and treated to a temperature of at least 70 °C throughout the product, should continue to be authorised for importation into the Community.

- (9) In order to authorise imports of meat products subjected to a heat treatment sufficient to inactivate any possible virus in the meat, it is necessary to specify the required treatment for poultry meat in the health certificates drawn up in accordance with Annexes III and IV to Decision 2005/432/EC.

- (10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 56. Directive as last amended by the 2003 Act of Accession.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 9. Directive as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 151, 14.6.2005, p. 3.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Member States shall suspend imports from the counties in Romania listed in the Annex to this Decision of live poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game and hatching eggs of these species.

Article 2

Member States shall suspend imports from the counties in Romania listed in the Annex to this Decision of:

- (a) fresh meat of poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game; and
- (b) meat preparations and meat products consisting of, or containing meat of the species referred to in point (a).

Article 3

1. By way of derogation from Article 2(a) and (b), Member States shall authorise imports of the products covered by that Article which have been obtained from poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game coming from the counties in Romania listed in the Annex to this Decision and which were slaughtered or killed before 1 October 2005.

2. In the veterinary certificates accompanying consignments of the products referred to in paragraph 1, the following words shall be included:

'Fresh poultry meat/fresh ratite meat/fresh meat of wild feathered game/fresh meat of farmed feathered game/meat product consisting of, or containing meat of poultry, ratites, farmed or wild feathered game meat/meat preparation consisting of, or containing meat of poultry, ratites, farmed or wild feathered game meat (*) in accordance with Article 3(1) of Commission Decision 2006/264/EC.

(*) Delete as appropriate.'

3. By way of derogation from point (b) of Article 2 of this Decision, Member States shall authorise imports of meat

products consisting of, or containing meat of poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game, when the meat of these species has undergone one of the specific treatments referred to in points B, C or D in Part 4 of Annex II to Commission Decision 2005/432/EC.

4. The specific treatment applied in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Article shall be specified in point 9.1 column B in the veterinary certificate drawn up in accordance with the model set out in Annex III to Decision 2005/432/EC, and the following wording shall be added to that certificate:

'Meat products treated in accordance with Commission Decision 2006/264/EC'.

5. The specific treatment applied in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Article shall be certified by adding the following wording to the veterinary certificate drawn up in accordance with the model set out Annex IV to Decision 2005/432/EC:

'Meat products treated in accordance with Decision 2006/264/EC'.

Article 4

Member States shall immediately take the necessary measures to comply with this Decision and publish those measures. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

Article 5

This Decision shall apply until 31 July 2006.

Article 6

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 27 March 2006.

For the Commission

Markos KYPRIANOU

Member of the Commission

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Parts of the territory of Romania referred to in Articles 1 and 2 respectively:

Arges county	Ialomita county
Brasov county	Ilfov county
Bucharest county	Mehedinti county
Braila county	Mures county
Buzau county	Olt county
Caras-Severin county	Prahova county
Calarasi county	Tulcea county
Constanta county	Vaslui county
Dambovita county	Valcea county
Giurgiu county	Vrancea county
Gorj county	

COMMISSION DECISION

of 31 March 2006

concerning certain protection measures in relation to a suspicion of highly pathogenic avian influenza in Switzerland*(notified under document number C(2006) 1107)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2006/265/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/496/EEC of 15 July 1991 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community from third countries and amending Directives 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 90/675/EEC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 18(1), (3) and (6) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 97/78/EC of 18 December 1997 laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on products entering the Community from third countries ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 22(1), (5) and (6) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 998/2003 of 26 May 2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the animal health requirements applicable to the non-commercial movement of pet animals and amending Council Directive 92/65/EEC ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 18 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Avian influenza is an infectious viral disease in poultry and birds, causing mortality and disturbances which can quickly take epizootic proportions liable to present a serious threat to animal and public health and to reduce sharply the profitability of poultry farming. There is a risk that the disease agent might be introduced via international trade in live poultry and poultry products.
- (2) Switzerland has notified to the Commission the isolation of an H5 avian influenza virus collected from a clinical case in a wild species. The clinical picture allows the

suspicion of highly pathogenic avian influenza pending the determination of the neuraminidase (N) type and of the pathogenicity index.

- (3) In view of the animal health risk of disease introduction into the Community, it is therefore appropriate as an immediate measure to suspend imports of live poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game birds, live birds other than poultry and hatching eggs of these species from Switzerland.
- (4) Furthermore the importation into the Community from Switzerland should be suspended for fresh meat of wild feathered game and importation of minced meat, meat preparations, mechanically separated meat and meat products consisting of or containing meat of those species.
- (5) Certain products derived from poultry slaughtered before 1 February 2006 should continue to be authorised, taking into account the incubation period of the disease.
- (6) Commission Decision 2005/432/EC of 3 June 2005 laying down the animal and public health conditions and model certificates for imports of meat products for human consumption from third countries and repealing Decisions 97/41/EC, 97/221/EC and 97/222/EC ⁽⁴⁾ lays down the list of third countries from which Member States may authorise the importation of meat products and establishes treatment regimes considered effective in inactivating the respective pathogens. In order to prevent the risk of disease transmission via such products, appropriate treatment must be applied depending on the health status of the country of origin and the species the product is obtained from. It appears therefore appropriate, that imports of wild feathered game meat products originating in Switzerland and treated to a temperature of at least 70 °C throughout the product should continue to be authorised.
- (7) Account should be taken of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation in trade on agricultural products (the 'Agreement') ⁽⁵⁾.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 56. Directive as last amended by the 2003 Act of Accession.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 9. Directive as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1; corrected version in OJ L 191, 28.5.2004, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 146, 13.6.2003, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 18/2006 (OJ L 4, 7.1.2006, p. 3).

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 151, 14.6.2005, p. 3.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 114, 30.4.2002, p. 132.

- (8) Following the notification of an isolation of an H5 avian influenza virus collected from a clinical case in a wild species, consultations have been held between the competent Commission services and the Swiss authorities in accordance with Article 20(1) of Annex 11 of the Agreement. With a view to finding appropriate solutions in accordance with this provision, Switzerland has notified that they will apply the equivalent measures as those adopted in the Community in accordance with Commission Decision 2006/115/EC concerning certain protection measures in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza in wild birds in the Community and repealing Decisions 2006/86/EC, 2006/90/EC, 2006/91/EC, 2006/94/EC, 2006/104/EC and 2006/105/EC ⁽¹⁾ and Commission Decision 2006/135/EC concerning certain protection measures in relation to highly pathogenic influenza in poultry in the Community ⁽²⁾.
- (9) Switzerland has notified their intention to immediately notify the Commission of any future changes to the ongoing animal health status of Switzerland, including specifically any further outbreaks of avian influenza that may occur and the areas concerned. The Commission should notify those areas immediately to the Member States.
- (10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. Member States shall suspend imports or introduction into the Community of the following from the part of the territory of Switzerland referred to in the Annex:

- live poultry, ratites, farmed and wild feathered game, live birds other than poultry as defined in Article 1, third indent, of Decision 2000/666/EC, including birds accompanying their owners (pet birds), and hatching eggs of these species,
- fresh meat of wild feathered game,
- minced meat, meat preparations, mechanically separated meat and meat products consisting of or containing meat of wild feathered game,
- raw pet food and unprocessed feed material containing any parts of wild feathered game, and

— non-treated game trophies from any birds.

2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, Member States shall authorise the importation of the products covered by paragraph 1 second to fourth indent, which have been obtained from birds slaughtered before 1 February 2006.

3. In the veterinary certificates/commercial documents accompanying consignments of the products referred to in paragraph 2 the following words as appropriate to the species shall be included:

‘Fresh meat of wild feathered game/minced meat, meat preparations, mechanically separated meat or meat product consisting of, or containing meat of wild feathered game/raw pet food and unprocessed feed material containing any parts of wild feathered game (*) obtained from birds slaughtered before 1 February 2006 and in accordance with Article 1(2) of Commission Decision 2006/265/EC.

(*) Delete as appropriate.’

4. By derogation from paragraph 1, Member States shall authorise the importation of meat products consisting of or containing meat of wild feathered game under the condition that the meat of these species has undergone at least one of the specific treatments referred to under points B, C or D in Part IV of Annex II to Commission Decision 2005/432/EC.

Article 2

Member States shall immediately take the necessary measures to comply with this Decision and publish those measures. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

Article 3

This Decision shall apply until 31 May 2006.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 31 March 2006.

For the Commission

Markos KYPRIANOU

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 48, 18.2.2006, p. 28.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 52, 23.2.2006, p. 41.

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Part of the territory of Switzerland referred to in Article 1(1)

ISO country code	Name of country	Part of territory
CH	Switzerland	In Switzerland: all areas of the territory of Switzerland for which the authorities of Switzerland have formally applied equivalent restrictions to those laid down in Commission Decision 2006/115/EC and Commission Decision 2006/135/EC.

CORRIGENDA**Corrigendum to Commission Decision 2006/109/EC of 19 January 2006 accepting an undertaking offered in connection with the anti-dumping proceeding concerning imports of certain castings originating in the People's Republic of China**

(Official Journal of the European Union L 47 of 17 February 2006)

On page 61, in Article 1, under the 15th exporting producer on the list:

for: 'Shane City Fangyuan Casting Co., Ltd., West of Nango Village, Shiliting Town, Shane City, Hebei Province',

read: 'Shahe City Fangyuan Casting Co., Ltd., West of Nango Village, Shiliting Town, Shahe City, Hebei Province'.
