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II

(Non-legislative acts)

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2016/1970

of 29 September 2016

on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 37 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 207 and Article 212(1), in conjunction with Article 218(5) and the second subparagraph of Article 218(8) thereof,

Having regard to the joint proposal from the European Commission and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 25 June 2012, the Council authorised the Commission and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy to open negotiations with New Zealand on a Framework Agreement to replace the Joint Declaration on relations and cooperation between the European Union and New Zealand of 21 September 2007.
- (2) The negotiations on the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part (the 'Agreement') were successfully concluded on 30 July 2014. The Agreement reflects both the historically close relationship and increasingly strong links developing between the Parties, and their desire to further strengthen and extend their relations in an ambitious and innovative way.
- (3) Article 58 of the Agreement provides that the Union and New Zealand may apply provisionally certain provisions of the Agreement, determined mutually by the two Parties, pending its entry into force.
- (4) The Agreement should therefore be signed on behalf of the Union and some of its provisions should be applied on a provisional basis, pending the completion of the procedures necessary for its conclusion,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The signing on behalf of the Union of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part, is hereby authorised, subject to the conclusion of the Agreement.

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

Pending its entry into force, in accordance with Article 58 of the Agreement and subject to the notifications provided for therein, the following provisions of the Agreement shall be applied provisionally between the Union and New Zealand, but only to the extent that they cover matters falling within the Union's competence, including matters falling within the Union's competence to define and implement a common foreign and security policy ⁽¹⁾:

- Article 3 (Dialogue),
- Article 4 (Cooperation in regional and international organisations),
- Article 5 (Political dialogue),
- Article 53 (Joint Committee), with the exception of points (g) and (h) of paragraph 3 thereof, and
- Title X (Final provisions), with the exception of Article 57 and Article 58(1) and (3), to the extent necessary for the purpose of ensuring the provisional application of the provisions of the Agreement referred to in this Article.

Article 3

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Union.

Article 4

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 29 September 2016.

For the Council
The President
P. ŽIGA

⁽¹⁾ The date from which the provisions of the Agreement referred to in Article 2 will be applied provisionally, will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* by the General Secretariat of the Council.

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2016/1971

of 10 November 2016

establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 of 7 June 2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 in respect of the fruit and vegetables and processed fruit and vegetables sectors ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 136(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 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 Annex XVI, Part A thereto.
- (2) The standard import value is calculated each working day, in accordance with Article 136(1) of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011, taking into account variable daily data. Therefore this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 136 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 are fixed in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of 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, 10 November 2016.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA
Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 157, 15.6.2011, p. 1.

ANNEX

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	MA	85,4
	ZZ	85,4
0707 00 05	TR	146,7
	ZZ	146,7
0709 93 10	MA	62,9
	TR	114,9
	ZZ	88,9
0805 20 10	MA	88,2
	ZZ	88,2
0805 20 30, 0805 20 50, 0805 20 70, 0805 20 90	JM	103,8
	PE	122,6
	TR	68,0
	ZZ	98,1
	AR	67,2
0805 50 10	CL	69,9
	TR	91,5
	UY	38,4
	ZZ	66,8
	BR	294,1
0806 10 10	IN	164,3
	PE	346,3
	TR	139,6
	US	343,5
	ZA	345,1
	ZZ	272,2
	CL	139,2
0808 10 80	NZ	126,2
	ZA	129,6
	ZZ	131,7
	CN	103,4
0808 30 90	TR	179,1
	ZZ	141,3

⁽¹⁾ Nomenclature of countries laid down by Commission Regulation (EU) No 1106/2012 of 27 November 2012 implementing Regulation (EC) No 471/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to external trade with non-member countries, as regards the update of the nomenclature of countries and territories (OJ L 328, 28.11.2012, p. 7). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2016/1972

of 8 November 2016

adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 4 of the European Union for the financial year 2016

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 314 thereof, in conjunction with the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 ⁽¹⁾ and in particular Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

- the Union's budget for the financial year 2016 was definitively adopted on 25 November 2015 ⁽²⁾,
- on 30 September 2016, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 4 to the general budget for the financial year 2016,
- so as to be able to cover urgent funding needs related to migration and security, draft amending budget No 4 to the general budget for 2016 needs to be adopted without delay. Therefore, it is justified to shorten, in accordance with Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, the 8-week period for the information of national Parliaments laid down in Article 4 of Protocol No 1,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The Council's position on draft amending budget No 4 of the European Union for the financial year 2016 was adopted on 8 November 2016.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website: <http://www.consilium.europa.eu/>

Done at Brussels, 8 November 2016.

For the Council

The President

P. KAŽIMÍR

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 48, 24.2.2016, p. 1.

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2016/1973**of 8 November 2016****adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 5 of the European Union for the financial year 2016**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 314 thereof, in conjunction with the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 ⁽¹⁾ and in particular Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

- the Union's budget for the financial year 2016 was definitively adopted on 25 November 2015 ⁽²⁾,
- on 7 October 2016, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 5 to the general budget for the financial year 2016,
- for needs related to national Treasury management, draft amending budget No 5 to the general budget for 2016 needs to be adopted without delay. Therefore, it is justified to shorten, in accordance with Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, the 8-week period for the information of national Parliaments laid down in Article 4 of Protocol No 1,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The Council's position on draft amending budget No 5 of the European Union for the financial year 2016 was adopted on 8 November 2016.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website: <http://www.consilium.europa.eu/>

Done at Brussels, 8 November 2016.

For the Council
The President
P. KAŽIMÍR

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 48, 24.2.2016, p. 1.

DECISION (EU) 2016/1974 OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK**of 31 October 2016****amending Decision (EU) 2016/810 (ECB/2016/10) on a second series of targeted longer-term refinancing operations (ECB/2016/30)**

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular the first indent of Article 127(2) thereof,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular the first indent of Article 3.1, Article 12.1, the second indent of Article 18.1 and the second indent of Article 34.1 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 28 April 2016, in pursuing its price stability mandate and to further ease private sector credit conditions and stimulate credit creation, the Governing Council adopted Decision (EU) 2016/810 of the European Central Bank (ECB/2016/10) ⁽¹⁾. This Decision sets out the details for a series of four targeted longer-term refinancing operations (TLTROs-II) to be conducted from June 2016 to March 2017 on a quarterly basis.
- (2) In order to address an inconsistency between the deadline for lead institutions to apply for changes to TLTRO-II group composition as indicated in the indicative calendar for TLTROs-II published on the ECB's website and the period mentioned in Article 3(7)(a) of Decision (EU) 2016/810 (ECB/2016/10), the Governing Council has decided that if changes to the composition of a TLTRO-II group are accepted in accordance with Article 3(5) of Decision (EU) 2016/810 (ECB/2016/10) or take place in accordance with Article 3(6)(b) or (c) of that Decision, the lead institution may participate in a TLTRO-II on the basis of the new composition of its TLTRO-II group after it has obtained confirmation from its national central bank (NCB) that the new composition of the TLTRO-II group has been recognised.
- (3) Therefore, Decision (EU) 2016/810 (ECB/2016/10) should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***Amendments**

Decision (EU) 2016/810 (ECB/2016/10) is amended as follows:

1. in Article 3(6)(b), point (i) is replaced by the following:

‘(i) the lead institution applies to its NCB for recognition of the change in the TLTRO-II group's composition in accordance with the indicative calendar for TLTROs-II published on the ECB's website;’;

2. in Article 3(7), point (a) is replaced by the following:

‘(a) in respect of the changes to which paragraph 5, paragraph 6(b) or paragraph 6(c) applies, the lead institution may participate in a TLTRO-II on the basis of the new composition of its TLTRO-II group only after it has obtained confirmation from its NCB that the new composition of the TLTRO-II group has been recognised; and’.

⁽¹⁾ Decision (EU) 2016/810 of the European Central Bank of 28 April 2016 on a second series of targeted longer-term refinancing operations (ECB/2016/10) (OJ L 132, 21.5.2016, p. 107).

*Article 2***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on 31 October 2016.

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 31 October 2016.

For the Governing Council of the ECB

The President of the ECB

Mario DRAGHI

DECISION (EU) 2016/1975 OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK
of 8 November 2016
on the sub-delegation of the powers to grant a provisional accreditation (ECB/2016/39)

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 128 thereof,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Article 16 thereof,

Having regard to Decision ECB/2013/54 of 20 December 2013 on the accreditation procedures for manufacturers of euro secure items and euro items and amending Decision ECB/2008/3 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Executive Board is competent to take all decisions relating to a manufacturer's accreditation under Articles 6, 16 to 18 and 20 of Decision ECB/2013/54 and to sub-delegate the powers to grant a provisional accreditation under Article 6 of that Decision to one or more of its members.
- (2) To further streamline the accreditation procedure, the powers to grant a provisional accreditation should be sub-delegated to the member of the Executive Board to whom the Directorate Banknotes reports.
- (3) To safeguard the Executive Board's collective responsibility, the member of the Executive Board to whom the sub-delegation is granted should provide an annual report on accreditation decisions to the Executive Board unless no accreditations have been granted.
- (4) Decision ECB/2012/15 ⁽²⁾ refers to competences attributed to the Executive Board in accordance with Article 2(3) of Decision ECB/2011/8 ⁽³⁾ and with Article 2(4) of Decision ECB/2010/22 ⁽⁴⁾. Both Decision ECB/2011/8 and Decision ECB/2010/22 were repealed by Decision ECB/2013/54. In the interests of clarity, Decision ECB/2012/15 should also be repealed.
- (5) Given the need to organise the accreditation procedure efficiently and in view of pending urgent requests for accreditation, the sub-delegation should be effected as soon as possible and enter into force on the day after its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Sub-delegation of powers

The Executive Board sub-delegates the powers to grant a provisional accreditation under Article 6 of Decision ECB/2013/54 to the member of the Executive Board to whom the Directorate Banknotes reports.

Article 2

Reporting obligation

The member of the Executive Board to whom the Directorate Banknotes reports shall submit an annual report to the Executive Board on the accreditations granted pursuant to Article 1, unless no accreditations have been granted.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 57, 27.2.2014, p. 29.

⁽²⁾ Decision ECB/2012/15 of 17 July 2012 on the sub-delegation of powers to grant, renew or extend accreditations (OJ L 209, 4.8.2012, p. 17).

⁽³⁾ Decision ECB/2011/8 of 21 June 2011 on the environmental and health and safety accreditation procedures for the production of euro banknotes (OJ L 176, 5.7.2011, p. 52).

⁽⁴⁾ Decision ECB/2010/22 of 25 November 2010 on the quality accreditation procedure for manufacturers of euro banknotes (OJ L 330, 15.12.2010, p. 14).

*Article 3***Repeal**

Decision ECB/2012/15 is repealed.

*Article 4***Entry into force**

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

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 8 November 2016.

The President of the ECB
Mario DRAGHI

