



COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION

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

(presented by the Commission)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. In response to requests from several Member States, the Commission's departments, together with the government experts concerned, considered whether to open, increase and extend autonomous tariff quotas for certain industrial products.
2. Following the discussion, at a meeting of the Economic Tariff Questions Group, it was concluded that the Member States could approve the new quota for the products covered by the proposal for a Regulation, without disturbing the markets for such products.

Hence the attached proposal for a Regulation.

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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) By virtue of Regulation (EC) No 2505/96¹, the Council opened Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products; whereas Community demand for the products in question should be met under the most favourable conditions; whereas Community tariff quotas should therefore be opened at reduced or zero rates of duty for appropriate volumes, avoiding any disturbance to the markets for these products.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 should therefore be amended.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

For the quota period from 15 October to 31 December 1999, Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 is hereby amended as follows. The tariff quota shown in the Annex to this Regulation shall be added to Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96.

Article 2

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

¹ OJ L 345, 31.12.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1969/99 (OJ L 244, 16.9.1999, p. 38).

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	TARIC code	Description	Amount of quota	Quota duty (%)	Quota period
09.2989	ex 1511 10 10 ex 1511 90 19 ex 1511 90 91 ex 1513 11 10 ex 1513 19 30 ex 1513 21 11 ex 1513 29 30	10 10 10 10 10 10 10	Palm oil, coconut (copra) oil or palm kernel oil for the manufacture of: - industrial monocarboxylic fatty acids of subheading 3823 19 10, - mixtures of methyl esters of fatty acids of subheading 3824 90 95, - methyl esters of fatty acids of heading 2915 or 2916 or - stearic acid of subheading 3823 11 00	64.000 t	0	15.10.1999 - 31.12.1999

- (a) Control of the use for this special purpose shall be carried out pursuant to the relevant Community provisions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1. TITLE OF OPERATION

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

2. BUDGET HEADING(S) INVOLVED

Chapter 12, Article 120

3. LEGAL BASIS

Article 26 of the Treaty

4. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION

4.1 General objective

To ensure that the Community processing industry is supplied on favourable terms.

5. FINANCIAL IMPACT

5.1 Method of calculating total cost of operation (relation between individual and total costs)

Product description	Quota volume (Tonnes)	Estimated price (€/Tonne)	Normal duty (%) (CCT 1999)	Quota duty (%)	Loss of revenue (in €)
Oils 09.2989	+ 64.,000 t (initial volume: 0 t)	price: 558	9 (average duty)	0	3,214,080

Total loss of revenue: + 3,214,080 €.

6. FRAUD PREVENTION MEASURES

Provisions on the management of tariff quotas include the measures needed to prevent and protect against frauds and irregularities.