

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)
amending Regulation (EEC) No 218/81 opening a Community tariff quota for
frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) 4 bb) 33 of
the Common Customs Tariff

Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)
amending Regulation (EEC) No 217/81 opening a Community tariff quota for
high quality fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal falling within sub-
headings 02.01 A II a) and 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Council Regulation (EEC) No 218/81 opened a Community tariff quota for 1981 and 1982 of 2 250 tonnes of frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) 4 bb) 33 of the Common Customs Tariff.

Commission Regulation (EEC) No 263/81 laid down detailed rules for the application of this import arrangement.

By 30 July 1982 import licences had been issued for approximately 1 229 tonnes of buffalo meat from Australia to be imported into the Federal Republic of Germany.

In view of the agreements entered into under the GATT, the Commission proposes that the Council renew this import arrangement for 1983.

Proposed

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) 1

amending Regulation (EEC) No 218/81 opening a Community tariff quota for frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) 4 bb) 33 of the Common Customs Tariff

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 43 and 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (1),

Whereas the Community has undertaken under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) to open an annual Community tariff quota at a rate of duty of 20% for a quantity expressed in product weight, fixed at 2 250 tonnes of frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) 4 bb) 33 of the Common Customs Tariff;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 218/81 (2) laid down general provisions for the equitable distribution of that quota,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 1(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 218/81, "for 1982" shall be replaced by "for 1983".

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 23 August 1982.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

(1) OJ No 9

(2) OJ No L 38, 11.2.1981, p. 2.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Council Regulation (EEC) No 217/81 opened for 1981 and 1982 a Community tariff quota of 21 000 tonnes of fresh, chilled or frozen high quality beef and veal falling within subheadings 02.01 A II a) and 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff.

Commission Regulation (EEC) No 263/81 laid down detailed rules for the application of this import arrangement. This quota was divided as follows:

- (a) 10 000 tonnes from the United States and Canada, administered by the Commission using the management committee procedure on a quarterly basis;
- (b) 5 000 tonnes from Argentina, 5 000 tonnes from Australia and 1 000 tonnes from Uruguay, administered by the countries concerned.

Under recent agreements concluded as a result of negotiations and consultations between the European Communities and Argentina and Uruguay under Article XXIV (6) of the GATT following the accession of Greece, the annual quota for Argentina has been raised from 5 000 tonnes to 12 500 tonnes and that for Uruguay from 1 000 to 2 300 tonnes. This raises the total Community quota from 21 000 tonnes to 29 800 tonnes.

By 30 May 1982 import licences had been issued for approximately 4 018 tonnes of the 5 000 available for Argentina, by 30 July 1982 for approximately 3 802 tonnes of the 5 000 tonnes available for Australia and by 31 May 1982 for nearly 695 tonnes of the 1 000 tonnes available for Uruguay.

Of the 10 000 tonnes available for 1982 for the United States of America and Canada, import licence applications lodged in the Community in the first nine months of the year covered a total of 3 907 tonnes.

In view of the agreements concluded under the GATT, the Commission proposes that the Council renew these import arrangements and approve a tariff quota of 29 800 tonnes be made available for 1983.

Proposed
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No 217/81 opening a Community tariff quota for high quality fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal falling within subheadings 02.01 A II a) and 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Articles 43 and 113 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (1),

Whereas the Community has undertaken under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) to open an annual Community tariff quota at a rate of duty of 20% for a quantity, expressed in product weight, fixed at 29 800 tonnes of high quality fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal falling within subheadings 02.01 A II a) and 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff;

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 217/81 (2) laid down general provisions for the equitable distribution of that quota,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 1(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 217/81,

- the amount of 21 000 tonnes is replaced by that of 29 800 tonnes,
- "for 1982" is replaced by "for 1983".

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 24 August 1982.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

(1) OJ No L 38, 11. 2.1981, p. 1.