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Russian Federation Livestock and Products Meat and Poultry TRQ Announced for 2009 2008

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Report Highlights:

The Russian government announced Resolution #828 on November 7, 2008 that establishes beef, pork and poultry import volumes and custom duty rates applicable to in-quota and out-of-quota imports for 2009. The main portion of the meat import quota will be distributed between importers of meat products from 2005-2007.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No

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Executive Summary:

The Russian government announced Resolution No. 828 on November 7, 2008 that establishes beef, pork and poultry import volumes and customs duty rates applicable to inquota and out-of-quota imports for the year of 2009. The TRQ volumes and tariff rates are consistent with the 2005 meat agreement.

The main portion of meat import quotas will be distributed between the participants of foreign trade activities that imported meat products from 2005-2007, in proportion to the volumes of their shipments. The Russian government did not include 2008 figures in determining 2009 quota allocations due to concerns that meat importers would rush increase purchases at the end of the year using out-of-quota channels. This, in turn, could lead to oversupply in the market and push domestic prices down. 2009 TRQ quantities which exceed the 2008 TRQs will be allocated to new companies.

According to Resolution No. 828, 25 percent of beef, pork and poultry TRQ volumes for 2009 will be distributed among companies by December 10, 2008. 100 percent of the TRQ will be distributed by April 10, 2009.

The original Russian text can be found at the following official Russian government website: http://www.government.ru/content/

Unofficial Embassy Translation of Resolution No. 828

Russian government Resolution No. 828, dated November 7, 2008, and titled, "On Introducing Changes to Decree No. 732 of the Russian Federation dated December 5, 2005".

Resolution of the Russian Federation Government

The Russian Federation Government hereby decrees:

- 1. Attached changes introduced to decree of the Russian Federation Government dated December 5, 2005, No. 732 "On Imports of Beef, Pork and Poultry Meat in the Years 2006-2009" (Collection of the Russian Federation legislation, 2005, No. 50, Art. 5317; 2006, No. 52, Art. 5594; 2007, No. 20, Art. 2427; 2008, No. 4, Art. 265; No. 16, Art.1692) be approved.
- 2. The Federal Customs Service presents to the following to the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation:

Before December 1, 2008 – a list of foreign traders who, in the period from January 1 to September 30, 2008, imported goods listed in Attachment No. 1 to Decree of the Russian Federation Government dated December 5, 2005 No. 732 "On Imports of Beef, Pork and Poultry Meat in the Years 2006-2009", in accordance with customs regulations on release for domestic consumption, except when such goods originated in and were imported from CIS countries:

Before March 10, 2009 – a list of foreign traders who, in the period from January 1 to December 31, 2008, imported goods listed in Attachment No. 1 to Decree of the Russian Federation Government dated December 5, 2005, No. 732 "On Imports of Beef, Pork and Poultry Meat in the Years 2006-2009", in accordance with customs regulations on release for domestic consumption, except when such goods originated in and were imported from CIS countries;

3. This resolution shall be enacted upon expiration of one month from the day of its official publication.

Prime Minister of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin

Changes introduced to Decree No. 732 of the Russian Federation Government dated December 5, 2005.

In Paragraph 2 the words "to the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation" be replaced with the words "to the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation";

In Paragraph 3 the words "by the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Russian Federation" be replaced with the words "by the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation";

In Paragraph 4 the first sub-paragraph be amended to read as follows:

- "4. The Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation shall take the following steps:"
- b) Sub-Paragraph f) be amended to read as follows:
- "f) from December 15, 2008 to December 31, 2009 the licensing for import of beef, pork and poultry with the volumes distributed between foreign traders as per Sub-Paragraphs "a", "b" and "c" of Paragraph 41 of this decree;"
- c) be supplemented with Sub-Paragraph "f1" as follows:
- "f1) from April 15, 2009 to December 31, 2009 the licensing of the import of goods listed in Item 5 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree with the volumes distributed between foreign traders as per Sub-Paragraph d) of Paragraph 41 of this decree. Licenses for the import of the specified goods from EU member States, the United States of America, and Paraguay shall be issued after issuing licenses for import from these countries of 100 percent of goods listed in Item 5 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree;"
- d) the words "from April 15, 2008" be excluded from Sub-Paragraph "i".
- 4. Be supplemented with Paragraph 41 as follows:
- "The Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation shall take the following steps:
- a) Before December 10, 2008 distribute the volume of goods listed in Items 1-4 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree for the year 2008, between foreign traders who imported beef, pork and poultry in the year 2005, and (or) 2006, and (or) 2007, in accordance with customs regulations on release for domestic consumption, in proportion to the average volumes of beef, pork and poultry imported by these traders to the customs territory of the Russian Federation in 2005-2007, except for the specified meat products that originated in and were imported from CIS countries;
- b) Before December 10, 2008 distribute 25 percent of beef, pork and poultry, calculated as the difference of the volume of goods listed in Items 1-4 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree for the year 2009 and the volume of goods listed in Items 1-4 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree for the year 2008, between foreign traders who did not import beef, pork and

poultry in the year 2005, and (or) 2006, and (or) 2007, and who imported the specified meat products in the year 2008, in accordance with customs regulations on release for domestic consumption, in proportion to the volumes of beef, pork and poultry imported by these traders to the customs territory of the Russian Federation in from January 1 to September 30, 2008, except for the specified meat products that originated in and were imported from CIS countries;

- c) Before April 10, 2008 distribute 100 percent of beef, pork and poultry, calculated as the difference of the volume of goods listed in Items 1-4 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree for the year 2009 and the volume of goods listed in Items 1-4 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree for the year 2008, between foreign traders specified in Sub-Paragraph "b" of the present paragraph, in proportion to the volumes of beef, pork and poultry imported by these traders to the customs territory of the Russian Federation from January 1 to December 31, 2008, except for the specified meat products that originated in and were imported from CIS countries;
- d) Before April 10, 2009 distribute the volume of goods listed in Items 5 of Attachment No. 1 to this decree between foreign traders who imported beef, pork and poultry in the previous year, in accordance with customs regulations on release for domestic consumption, in proportion to the volumes of beef, pork and poultry imported by these traders to the customs territory of the Russian Federation in from January 1 to December 31, 2008, except for the specified meat products that originated in and were imported from CIS countries:
- e) Present to the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation the information on the distribution between foreign traders of the volumes of goods specified in Sub-Paragraphs "a" "d" of the present paragraph".
- 5. Paragraph 5 be edited as follows:
- "5. The decision on licensing in accordance with Paragraph 4 of this decree shall be taken by the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation within 5 days upon submission of the application as per the established procedure. The expiration date of such licenses shall be set on December 31 of each current year, inclusive of this date."

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RS5084 Meat Tariff Rate Quota Decree Issued http://www.fas.usda.gov/gainfiles/200512/146131752.doc