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Report Highlights:

On August 18, 2020, the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) issued Decision No. 102, establishing tariff-rate quotas (TRQs) and respective volumes for imports of meat, poultry, and whey into the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU). In line with the WTO commitments, Russia's TRQ volumes will remain unchanged from 2020. TRQ volumes for Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyz republic will also be the same as in 2020, while Armenia will have TRQs for beef, pork, poultry and whey in 2021, for the first time since its EAEU accession in 2015.

General Information

On August 18, 2020, the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) issued <u>Decision No. 102</u>, "On Establishment of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of Certain Agricultural Goods into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU¹) in 2021, as well as Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of these Goods in the Territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States."

Following replacement of the Russian pork TRQs with a 25 percent flat rate for imported pork in 2020, the Russian 2021 TRQ volumes for remaining products, namely beef, poultry and whey, will be the same as in 2020, which is consistent with Russia's World Trade Organization (WTO) commitments. As in the previous years, the EEC Decision on 2021 TRQs does not specify country-specific allocations for Russia but rather leaves it up to the country to ensure distribution of the tariff-rate quotas established by the Decision among third countries in accordance with the Russian legislation and Russia's WTO commitments.

The 2021 TRQ volumes for Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyz Republic will remain the same as in 2020, while Armenia, in a change from the previous years, will have TRQs in 2021, for the first time since its EAEU accession in 2015. In particular, Armenia's 2021 TRQ for beef will be 6 thousand metric tons (MT), for pork – 10 thousand MT, for poultry – 44 thousand MT, and whey – 500 MT.

The unified EAEU in-quota tariff rate to be applied by Armenia since 2021 for frozen beef is 15 percent, and for poultry - 25 percent but not less than 0.2 Euro per kilogram. At the same time, according to Armenia's amended transitional import tariffs in EAEU², its out-of-quota tariff for imported frozen beef is set to increase from 12.5 percent in 2020 to 25 percent in 2021, while Armenia's out-of-quota tariff for imported poultry will go up from 22 percent in 2020 to 50 percent in 2021. At that, Armenia's out-of-quota tariffs for both products in 2021 will still be lower than the unified EAEU tariff, which is 50 percent but not less than 1 Euro per kilogram for frozen beef and 80 percent but not less than 0.7 Euro per kilogram for poultry. Armenia is currently scheduled to increase its frozen beef and poultry out-of-quota import tariff to the level of the unified EAEU tariff as of 2022.

The TRQ allocations announced by the above Decision No. 102 will enter into force as of September 20, 2020.

¹ For details on the Eurasian Economic Union, please see GAIN report RS1611 Eurasian Economic Union One Year On.

² For details, please see <u>RS2020-0028 Eurasian Economic Union Ag Times No 1 of 2020</u>.

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EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM

DECISION

August 18, 2020 No. 102 Moscow

On Establishment of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of Certain Agricultural Goods into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2021, as well as Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of these Goods in the Territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States

In accordance with articles 44 and 45 of the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, Annexes No. 6 and 7 to the stated Treaty, and the Agreement on the Functioning of the Customs Union within the Framework of the Multilateral Trade System of May 19, 2011, the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission has **decided:**

- 1. For certain types of agricultural goods, imported into the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2021, to establish tariff-rate quotas and distribute volumes of tariff-rate quotas for the import of these goods in the territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States according to the attachment (hereinafter the tariff-rate quotas).
- 2. To establish that the tariff-rate quotas shall apply to agricultural goods imported into the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union and placed under the customs procedure of release for domestic consumption, with the exception of goods originating in and imported from the CIS Member States.
- 3. The Russian Federation shall ensure distribution of the volume of the tariff-rate quotas among third countries in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and commitments of the Russian Federation within the framework of the World Trade Organization.
 - 4. Eurasian Economic Union Member States shall:

Implement distribution of the volumes of the tariff-rate quotas among foreign trade participants in accordance with their legislation;

Instruct the authorized executive bodies to issue licenses for the import of goods, specified in item 1 of the present Decision.

5. This Decision shall enter into force 30 calendar days from the date of its official publication.

Chairman of the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission

M. Myasnikovich

ATTACHMENT to Decision of the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission No. 102 of August 18, 2020

Certain Types of Agricultural Goods to be Imported into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2021, which are Subject to Tariff-Rate Quotas, and the Volume of the Tariff-Rate Quotas for 2021 for the Import of these Goods in the Territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States

Goods which are Subject to Tariff-Rate Quotas		Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quotas (thousand MT)					
Product Name	EAEU HS Code	Republic	Republic	Republic of	Kyrgyz	Russian	
		of Armenia	of Belarus	Kazakhstan	Republic	Federation	
Meat of bovine	0201 10 000 1, 0201 20 200 1, 0201 20 300 1,						
animals, fresh or	0201 20 500 1, 0201 20 900 1, 0201 30 000 4					40.0	
chilled		6.0	0.0	21.0	5.0		
Meat of bovine	0202 10 000 1, 0202 20 100 1, 0202 20 300 1,	0.0	0.0	21.0	3.0		
animals, frozen	0202 20 500 1, 0202 20 900 1, 0202 30 100 4,					530.0	
	0202 30 500 4, 0202 30 900 4						
Pork, fresh, chilled, or	0203 11 100 1, 0203 11 900 1, 0203 12 110 1,						
frozen	0203 12 190 1, 0203 12 900 1, 0203 19 110 1,	10.0	20.0	0.0	3.5	0.0	
	0203 19 130 1, 0203 19 150 1, 0203 19 550 1,						
	0203 19 590 1, 0203 19 900 1, 0203 21 100 1,						
	0203 21 900 1, 0203 22 110 1, 0203 22 190 1,						
	0203 22 900 1, 0203 29 110 1, 0203 29 130 1,						
	0203 29 150 1, 0203 29 550 1, 0203 29 550 2,						
	0203 29 590 1, 0203 29 900 1, 0203 29 900 2						
Meat and edible							
byproducts of poultry							
under heading 0105,							
fresh, chilled, or							
frozen:							

Frozen bone-in chicken halves or	0207 14 200 1, 0207 14 600 1					
quarters and frozen bone-in chicken legs and			0.0	128.0		250.0
cuts thereof						
Deboned chicken meat, fresh or chilled	0207 13 100 1		10.0		58.0	0.0
Frozen deboned chicken meat	0207 14 100 1		10.0			100.0
Deboned turkey meat, fresh or chilled	0207 26 100 1		0.9			0.0
Frozen deboned turkey meat	0207 27 100 1					
Frozen cuts of bone-in turkey	0207 27 300 1, 0207 27 400 1, 0207 27 600 1, 0207 27 700 1	44.0	0.0			14.0
Meat and edible byproducts of poultry under heading 0105, fresh, chilled, or frozen, not specified above	0207 11 100 1, 0207 11 300 1, 0207 11 900 1, 0207 12 100 1, 0207 12 900 1, 0207 13 200 1, 0207 13 300 1, 0207 13 400 1, 0207 13 500 1, 0207 13 600 1, 0207 13 700 1, 0207 13 910 1, 0207 13 990 1, 0207 14 300 1, 0207 14 400 1, 0207 14 500 1, 0207 14 700 1, 0207 14 910 1, 0207 14 990 1, 0207 24 100 1, 0207 24 900 1, 0207 25 100 1, 0207 25 900 1, 0207 26 200 1, 0207 26 300 1, 0207 26 400 1, 0207 26 500 1, 0207 26 600 1, 0207 26 990 1, 0207 26 800 1, 0207 26 910 1, 0207 26 990 1, 0207 27 200 1, 0207 27 500 1, 0207 27 800 1, 0207 27 910 1, 0207 27 990 1, 0207 41 200 1, 0207 41 300 1, 0207 41 800 1, 0207 42 300 1, 0207 42 800 1,		0.0	12.0		0.0

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Certain types of whey and modified whey, in powder, granules, or other solid forms, not containing sugar or other sweetening matter	0404 10 120 1, 0404 10 160 1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.0

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Attachments:

No Attachments.