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General Information:

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As noted herein, Russia and other EAEU Member States notified some of the SPS/TBT measures covered in this report to the World Trade Organization (WTO).

SPS/TBT MEASURES PUBLISHED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Publication Date: May 22, 2020

1. **Veterinary Measures:** Draft decision of the EEC Council “On Amending the Regulation on the Unified Procedure of Veterinary Control (Surveillance) at the Customs Border of the Eurasian Economic Union and in the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union” – original in [Russian](#). For English, please see GAIN report [RS2020-0029 Draft Amendments to Veterinary Regulations Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/SPS/N/RUS/192](#) of May 26, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/69](#) of June 5, 2020, respectively. The proposed measure would introduce the notion of a risk-based approach into the EAEU Regulation on Veterinary Control. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0029 Draft Amendments to Veterinary Regulations Notified to WTO](#). The public comment period for the draft closed on July 25, 2020.

Publication Date: July 15, 2020

2. **Technical Regulation:** On Amending the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union "On Safety of Packaging" (TR TS 005/2011) – original in Russian [here](#). For English, please see GAIN report [RS2020-0039 Draft Amendments to EAEU Regulation on Packaging Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia and Armenia notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/TBT/N/RUS/102](#) of July 24, 2020, and [G/TBT/N/ARM/87](#) of July 27, 2020, respectively. The proposed measure amends conformity assessment procedures, brings the Technical Regulation

¹ For details, please see GAIN report [RS1611 Eurasian Economic Union One Year On](#).

(TR) in line with the EAEU Treaty as well as updates the TR based on the practice of its implementation since 2012. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0039 Draft Amendments to EAEU Regulation on Packaging Notified to WTO](#). The public comment period for the draft closed on September 24, 2020.

Publication Date: July 16, 2020

3. **Veterinary Measures:** On Amending the Procedure for Coordination among the Eurasian Economic Union Member States on Prevention, Diagnostics, Containment and Elimination of Hotbeds of Highly Dangerous, Quarantinable and Zoonotic Animal Diseases, Regionalization and Compartmentalization – original in Russian [here](#). For English, please see GAIN report [KG2020-0005 Draft Amendments to EAEU Regionalization Procedure Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Kyrgyzstan, Armenia, and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/SPS/N/KGZ/13](#) of July 21, 2020, [G/SPS/N/ARM/29](#) of July 23, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/70](#) of July 27, 2020, respectively. The proposed measure adds toys containing seeds and (or soil) to the list and excludes feed products not containing organic substances from the list of quarantine products. For details please see GAIN report [KG2020-0005 Draft Amendments to EAEU Regionalization Procedure Notified to WTO](#). The public comment period for the draft closed on September 19, 2020. As of the date of this report, Russia has not yet notified the measure to the WTO.

Publication Date: August 11, 2020

4. **Veterinary Measures:** Draft decisions “On Amending the Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance)” and “On Amending Forms of the Unified Veterinary Certificates for Controlled Goods Imported into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Commission from Third Countries” – originals in Russian [here](#) and [here](#), respectively. For English, please see GAIN report [EAEU2020-0001 Draft BSE Amendments to EAEU Veterinary Requirements Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia, Armenia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/SPS/N/RUS/195](#) of August 25, 2020, [G/SPS/N/ARM/30](#) of September 9, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/73](#) of September 15, 2020, respectively. The draft measure aims to align BSE provisions in the unified EAEU veterinary requirements and respective unified EAEU forms of veterinary certificates with the OIE recommendations. For details please see GAIN report [EAEU2020-0001 Draft BSE Amendments to EAEU Veterinary Requirements Notified to WTO](#). The latest of the public comment periods closed on November 14, 2020.

Publication Date: August 14, 2020

5. **Technical Regulation:** Amendments No. 4 to the Technical Regulations of the Customs Union “On Food Safety” (TR TS 021/2011) and No. 1 to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Certain Types of Specialized Food Products Including Therapeutic and Preventive Dietary Food” (TR TS 027/2012) in terms of Establishing Special Requirements for Biologically Active Food Additives, their Production, Sale and Labeling – original in Russian

[here](#). For English, please see GAIN report [RS2020-0053 Draft TBT Measure on Food Additives Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/TBT/N/RUS/105](#) of August 24, 2020. The draft measure will move special requirements for biologically active food additives (food BAAs) from the EAEU Technical Regulation on food safety (TR TS 021/2011) to the EAEU Technical Regulation on specialized foods (TR TS 027/2012) while simultaneously bringing such requirements in conformity with the current Unified EAEU Sanitary Requirements. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0053 Draft TBT Measure on Food Additives Notified to WTO](#). The public comment period for the draft closed on November 2, 2020.

Publication Date: September 17, 2020

6. **Veterinary Measures:** On Amending the Regulation on the Unified Procedure of Veterinary Control (Surveillance) at the Customs Border of the Eurasian Economic Union and in the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union – original in Russian [here](#). For English, please see GAIN report [RS2020-0050 Draft SPS Measure on Electronic Veterinary Certificates Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia and Kyrgyzstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the drafts via [G/SPS/N/RUS/196](#) of September 21, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KGZ/14](#) of October 5, 2020, respectively. The proposed measure provides for the possibility to use veterinary certificates issued in electronic form for mutual and foreign trade. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0050 Draft SPS Measure on Electronic Veterinary Certificates Notified to WTO](#). The public comment period for the draft will close on November 20, 2020.

Publication Date: October 12, 2020

7. **Veterinary Requirements and Certificates:** Draft decisions “On Amending Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance)” and “On Amending Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 607 of April 7, 2011”– originals in Russian [here](#) and [here](#), respectively. For English, please see GAIN report [RS2020-0054 Draft Amendments to EAEU Veterinary Requirements Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia, Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the above drafts via [G/SPS/N/RUS/197](#) on October 14, 2020, [G/SPS/N/KGZ/15](#) on October 20, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/76](#) of November 4, 2020, respectively. The notified documents would supplement the unified EAEU veterinary requirements and unified EAEU forms of veterinary certificates with provisions for non-food raw materials from fish, seafood and aquatic animals, and a separate chapter and form of certificate on imported fertilizers of animal origin and containing components of animal origin. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0054 Draft Amendments to EAEU Veterinary Requirements Notified to WTO](#). The earliest of the public comment periods for the drafts will close on December 13, 2020.

Publication Date: October 6, 2020

8. **Phytosanitary Measures:** Draft decision “On Amending Decisions of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Union” – original in Russian [here](#). For English, please see GAIN report [RS2020-0055 Draft Amendments to EAEU Phytosanitary Requirements Notified to WTO](#).

Summary: Russia, Kyrgyzstan, Armenia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the above draft via [G/SPS/N/RUS/198](#) on October 21, 2020, [G/SPS/N/KGZ/16](#) on October 21, [G/SPS/N/ARM/31](#) of November 5, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/77](#) of November 10, 2020, respectively. According to the notifications, the draft measure would add tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV), pepino mosaic virus (PepMV), and tomato spotted wilt virus (TSWV) to the Unified EAEU List of Quarantine Objects, as well as supplement the Unified EAEU phytosanitary requirements with the relevant provisions on the stated viruses. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0055 Draft Amendments to EAEU Phytosanitary Requirements Notified to WTO](#). The earliest of the public comment periods for the draft will close on December 20, 2020.

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

Publication Date: April 14, 2020

[Protocol](#) Amending the Treaty on Accession of the Republic of Armenia to Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, signed on October 10, 2014 - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The Protocol amended the schedule of temporary EAEU import tariff exemptions for Armenia. According to the Protocol, Armenia deferred from 2020 to 2021 dramatic import tariff increases for some beef and poultry items, as well as import tariff increases for a pork fat item, some dairy items, some vegetables, rice, grains, starches, vegetable oils, margarine, some prepared food items, including baby food, pet food, tobacco, alcohols and gelatins. Armenia’s import tariffs for a pork fat item, some dairy items, olives, grains, starches, vegetable oils, pet food, tobacco, alcohols and gelatins are set to go up to the levels of the EAEU Unified Customs Tariff as of January 1, 2021, ranging from 5 to 15 percent. The import tariff on some beef items will go up from 12.5 percent in 2020 to 25 percent in 2021 before reaching 50 percent, but not less than 1 Euro per kg - the out-of-quota level of the EAEU Unified Customs Tariff – as of January 1, 2022. Similarly, Armenia’s import tariff on some poultry items is scheduled to go up from 22 percent in 2020 to 50 percent in 2021 before reaching 80 percent, but not less than 0.7 Euro per kg - the out-of-quota level of the EAEU Unified Customs Tariff – as of January 1, 2022. Import tariff increases for the remaining items will be less dramatic reaching the levels of between 4 and 13 percent in 2021 before going up to the levels of the EAEU Unified Customs Tariff in 2022, ranging from 5 to 15 percent. The document is pending ratification by the EAEU Member States and is in effect provisionally as of the day of its publication, April 14, 2020.

On Draft Protocol Amending the Protocol on the Terms and Transitional Provisions for the Application by the Kyrgyz Republic of the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, Certain International Agreements in the Legislation of the Eurasian Economic Union, and Acts of the Eurasian Economic Union Bodies in Connection with Accession of the Kyrgyz

Republic to the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, signed on May 8, 2015, and the Protocol Amending the Treaty on Accession of the Republic of Armenia to Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, signed on October 10, 2014

[Protocol](#) Amending the Protocol on the Terms and Transitional Provisions for the Application by the Kyrgyz Republic of the Eurasian Economic Union Treaty of May 29, 2014, Certain International Agreements Forming the Legislation of the Eurasian Economic Union, and Acts of the Eurasian Economic Union Bodies in connection with the Accession of the Kyrgyz Republic to the Eurasian Economic Union Treaty of May 29, 2014 - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The Protocol amended the schedule of temporary EAEU import tariff exemptions for Kyrgyzstan. In particular, Kyrgyzstan was allowed to defer its scheduled tariff increases for a handful of agricultural items, including bovine semen, some plants, seeds, preparations for sauces and animal feeds from 2020 to 2021, when Kyrgyz import tariffs for the stated items will go up from zero to the level of the Unified EAEU customs tariff, which is ranging from 5 to 10 percent for those items. The document is pending ratification by the EAEU Member States and is in effect provisionally as of the day of its publication, April 14, 2020.

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COUNCIL July 10, 2020

Publication Date: *August 17, 2020*

[EEC Council Decision No. 62](#). *On Amending Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Safety of Milk and Dairy Products” (TR TS 033/2013)* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The document supplements the Technical Regulation (TR) “On Safety of Milk and Dairy Products” with requirements for reconstituted milk, which is included in the category of dairy products packaged in consumer packaging. Thus, the uncertainty about the identification of reconstituted milk and its safety requirements has been eliminated. Previously, manufacturers of reconstituted milk, when confirming its conformity and labeling, were forced to use a name less attractive to consumers – “milk drink” instead of “reconstituted milk”. The changes will allow bona fide producers of reconstituted milk to identify it, pack it in consumer packaging and release into circulation as “reconstituted milk”. The decision comes into force 180 calendar days from the date of its publication, on February 13, 2021. As a draft, Russia notified the measure to the WTO via [G/TBT/N/RUS/681](#) in May 2016. For details, please see GAIN report [RS1625](#) [Draft TBT Measure on Dairy Products Notified to WTO](#).

[EEC Council Order No. 15](#). *On the Committee for Settling Differences and Disputable Situations and Ensuring Freedom of Movement of Goods in the Eurasian Economic Union* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision establishes a new committee to focus on settling differences and disputable situations and ensuring freedom of movement of goods in the Eurasian Economic Union. Russia will be represented in the Committee by the officials from the Federal Tax Service, the Federal Customs Service, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Economic Development, the Federal Service for Supervision in the Sphere of Consumer Rights Protection

and Human Well-Being (Rosпотребнадзор), the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance (Rosselkhozнадзор), and the Ministry of Transport.

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COUNCIL
October 30, 2020

Publication Date: November 11, 2020

[EEC Council Decision No. 87](#) *On Draft Decision of the Supreme Eurasian Economic Council “On Granting the Status of Observer in the Eurasian Economic Union to the Republic of Cuba” - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision approves the stated draft decision to be adopted at the next EAEU summit, which may take place at the end of 2020. Currently, the EAEU has one observer state, Moldova, which was granted the status of an EAEU observer in 2018.

[EEC Council Decision No. 92](#) *On Amending the List of Quarantine Products (Quarantine Cargo, Quarantine Materials, Quarantine Goods) that are Subject to Quarantine Phytosanitary Control at the Customs Border of the Eurasian Economic Union and in the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision amended the stated EAEU List by supplementing it with toys containing seeds and (or soil) and excluding feed products not containing organic substances from the List. As a draft, Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/SPS/N/RUS/174](#) of January 9, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/50](#) of February 17, 2020, respectively. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0004 Draft Amendments to List of Quarantine Products Notified to WTO](#).

[EEC Council Decision No. 95](#) *On Amending the List of Goods Which in Accordance with the Commitments of the Republic of Kazakhstan as Part of its Accession to the World Trade Organization shall be Subject to Import Customs Duty Rates that are Lower than the Rates of the Unified Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union, and the Rates of such Tariffs - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision amends the respective tariff schedule for Kazakhstan as of December 1, 2020. In particular, the following agricultural goods will see tariff reductions for imports to Kazakhstan: pork, beef and poultry items as well as some other meat and edible meat offal items (from EAEU HS groups 0203 and 0206-0209), fish and seafood items (from 0302-0308); dairy items (from 0403-0404 and 0406); fish products, natural sponges and plant products (from 0511 and 0604); some vegetables and mushrooms (from 0711-0714); some fruits and nuts (from 0808 and 0813); some tea items (from 0902); some starch, seed and flour items (from 1108, 1204, 1206-1208); some vegetable materials and products (from 1401 and 1404); some vegetable oil and fat products (from 1504, 1507, 1513-1516, 1518, and 1521); prepared or preserved meat and fish and seafood items (from 1602 and 1604-1605); some sugar and sugar confectionery items (from 1701-1702, and 1704); baking mixes, some pasta and bakery goods (from 1901-1902 and 1905); prepared or preserved fruits, vegetables, nuts, mushrooms, and fruit and vegetable juices (from 2005 and 2007-2009); some other prepared food items (from 2101, 2103, 2104 and 2106);

wines and other alcoholic beverages (from 2204 and 2208); dog or cat food (from 2309); tobacco items (from 2403); some odoriferous substances and milk protein concentrates (from 3302 and 3504).

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM

May 26, 2020

Publication Date: May 29, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 68.](#) *On the Application of Documents on Assessment of Products Conformity with Certain Requirements of the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “” On Safety of Meat and Meat Products (TR TS 034/2013)” - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision introduces a transitional period for certain provisions of the stated TR, which came into force as of June 1, 2020. In particular, the provisions regarding maximum residue levels (MRLs) of veterinary drugs in slaughter products are affected. These provisions were not applied until standards defining the necessary research methods for veterinary drugs were approved. In addition, the TR provisions on invented names for meat products are also affected by the transitional period, since they are now anchored to specific standards attached to the TR. The corresponding standards were included in the updated version of the lists of standards to the TR by the EEC Collegium decision No. 198 of November 19, 2019. For details, please, see GAIN report [RS2019-0018 Eurasian Economic Union Ag Times 2019](#). According to the decision, conformity assessment documents drawn up before the date of entry into force of the new MRL and labeling requirements for meat products will be valid until their expiration.

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 69.](#) *On the Procedure for Implementation of Amendments to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union “On Food Safety (TR TS 021/2011)” - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision established a 12 months transition period for the most recent amendments to the EAEU TR “On Food Safety,” adopted by the EEC Council Decision No. 115 reported in GAIN report [RS2020-0028 Eurasian Economic Union Ag Times No 1 of 2020](#). In particular, during this transition period companies will be allowed to produce and release into circulation products in accordance with the previous requirements of the EAEU TR “On Food Safety,” while sale of such products shall be allowed within their shelf-life.

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM

June 2, 2020

Publication Date: June 3, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 71.](#) *On Amending Section 1.11 of the List of Goods that are Banned for Import into and (or) Export from the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision excluded soybeans from the temporary ban on exports of some food items from the EAEU that was in place through June 30, 2020. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0030 Soybeans Excluded from Temporary EAEU Export Ban](#).

Publication Date: June 5, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 72](#). *On Amending Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance)* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision approved amendments to the EAEU veterinary requirements lifting a number of requirements on imports of bovine semen, sheep and goats and pork meat into the territory of the Eurasian Economic Union. As a draft, Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the drafts via [G/SPS/N/RUS/172](#) of December 17, 2019, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/54](#) of February 24, 2020, respectively. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0001 Draft Amendments to Veterinary Requirements Notified to WTO](#).

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 73](#). *On Amending the Forms of the Uniform Veterinary Certificates for Controlled Goods Imported into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union from Third Countries* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision approved amendments to the EAEU forms of unified certificates lifting a number of requirements on imports of bovine semen, sheep and goats and pork meat into the territory of the Eurasian Economic Union. As a draft, Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the drafts via [G/SPS/N/RUS/172](#) of December 17, 2019, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/54](#) of February 24, 2020, respectively. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0001 Draft Amendments to Veterinary Requirements Notified to WTO](#).

**MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
June 9, 2020**

Publication Date: June 11, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 75](#). *On Amending the Laboratory Procedure for Quarantine Phytosanitary Measures* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision clarifies the term “sample” and adds provisions on the storage and return of samples to the owner. As a draft, Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the draft via [G/SPS/N/RUS/173](#) of January 8, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/49](#) of February 17, 2020, respectively. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0002 Draft Amendments to Phytosanitary Lab Procedure Notified to WTO](#).

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
June 16, 2020

Publication Date: June 18, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 76.](#) *On Amending the List of Standards, Containing Rules and Methods of Analysis (Tests) and Measurements, Including Sampling Rules, Necessary for the Application and Compliance with the Requirements of the Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union “On Safety of Packaged Potable Water Including Natural Mineral Water” (TR EAEU 044/2017) and Carrying out Assessment of Compliance of the Regulated Products - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision updates the respective list of standards, adding 3 new items to the list. For details on the Technical Regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union “On Safety of Packaged Potable Water Including Natural Mineral Water” (TR EAEU 044/2017) please see GAIN report [RS1752 EAEU Technical Regulation on Packaged Water.](#)

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 78.](#) *On Amending the List of Goods which shall be Imported into or Exported from the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union on a Permit Basis - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision established a special permit-based regime for exports of sunflower seeds from the EAEU through August 31, 2020. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0032 Eurasian Economic Commission Sunflower Export Ban to be Extended.](#)

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
June 23, 2020

Publication Date: June 29, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 81.](#) *On Amending Decision of the Eurasian Economic Commission’s Collegium No. 135 of November 7, 2017 - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision extends the transition period established by the EEC Collegium decision No. 135 of November 7, 2017, for EAEU TR “On Safety of Packaged Potable Water Including Natural Mineral Water” (TR EAEU 044/2017)” for a year and a half, from July 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021. For details on the EEC Collegium decision No. 135 of November 7, 2017, please see GAIN report [RS1756 Eurasian Economic Union Ag Times No. 5 of 2017.](#)

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
August 18, 2020

Publication Date: August 21, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 102.](#) *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 - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision establishes tariff-rate quotas (TRQs) and respective volumes for imports of meat, poultry and whey into the Eurasian Economic Union in 2021. 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. For additional details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0041 Eurasian Economic Commission Published 2021 TRQs](#).

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
August 25, 2020

Publication Date: August 28, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 103](#). *On Amending Unified Veterinary (Veterinary and Sanitary) Requirements for Goods Subject to Veterinary Control (Surveillance)* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision approved amendments to Chapter 18 of the EAEU veterinary requirements to include import requirements for crickets, entomophagous insects and other insects. As a draft, Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the drafts via [G/SPS/N/RUS/177](#) of February 3, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/53](#) of February 24, 2020, respectively. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0008 Draft SPS Measure on Insects Notified to WTO](#).

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 104](#). *On Amending Decision of the Customs Union Commission No. 607 of April 7, 2011* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision approved amendments to the EAEU form No. 18 of unified certificates to include import requirements for crickets, entomophagous insects and other insects. As a draft, Russia and Kazakhstan notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of the drafts via [G/SPS/N/RUS/177](#) of February 3, 2020, and [G/SPS/N/KAZ/53](#) of February 24, 2020, respectively. For details please see GAIN report [RS2020-0008 Draft SPS Measure on Insects Notified to WTO](#).

MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
September 8, 2020

Publication Date: September 14, 2020

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 110](#). *On Establishing Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quota for Certain Types of Long Grain Rice Originating from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and Imported in 2021 into the Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union Member States* - original in [Russian](#)

Summary: The decision establishes the respective 2021 TRQ volumes for two rice items (from HS 1006). In a change from 2020, in 2021, the total TRQ amount of 10,000 MT will be split between just two countries, Armenia, and Belarus, while Russia will again decrease its TRQ dramatically from 5,146 MT in 2020 to zero in 2021. Belarus will increase its TRQ from 4,604 to 9,600, while Armenia's TRQ go up from 250 MT in 2020, to 400 MT in 2021. The TRQ for the remaining two EAEU Member States Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan will be zero.

**MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
October 20, 2020**

Publication Date: *October 23, 2020*

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 131.](#) *On Establishment of the Rate of Import Customs Duty of the Unified Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union for Desiccated Coconuts - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision temporarily reduces the import duty on desiccated coconuts (EAEU HS code 0801 11 000 0) from 3 to zero percent from November 11, 2020, through December 31, 2023.

**MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
October 27, 2020**

Publication Date: *October 30, 2020*

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 137.](#) *On Amending the List of Goods and Rates that shall be subject to a Transition Period during which the Republic of Armenia shall Apply the Rates of Import Customs Duties Differing from the Rates of the Unified Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union and on Repealing Certain Provisions in Some Decision of the Eurasian Economic Commission's Collegium - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision implemented amendments to the schedule of temporary EAEU import tariff exemptions for Armenia adopted earlier by the above [Protocol](#) amending the Treaty on Accession of the Republic of Armenia to Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014. The decision comes into force as of January 1, 2021.

**MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION COLLEGIUM
November 13, 2020**

Publication Date: *November 17, 2020*

[EEC Collegium Decision No. 144.](#) *On the Procedure for Implementation of Amendments to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union "On Safety of Milk and Dairy Products (TR TS 033/2013)" - original in [Russian](#)*

Summary: The decision established a 12 months transition period for the most recent amendments to the EAEU TR "On Safety of Milk and Dairy Products," adopted by the EEC

Council Decision No. 62 [above](#). In particular, during this transition period companies will be allowed to produce and release into circulation products in accordance with the previous requirements of the EAEU TR “On Safety of Milk and Dairy Products,” while sale of such products shall be allowed within their shelf-life.

Attachments:

No Attachments.