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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 31 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

(1) In order to ensure sufficient and uninterrupted supply of certain goods insufficiently produced in the Union and to avoid any disturbances on the market for certain agricultural and industrial products, autonomous tariff quotas have been opened by Council Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013[(1)]. Products within those tariff quotas can be imported into the Union at reduced or zero duty rates. For the reasons indicated, it is necessary to open, with effect from 1 July 2015, tariff quotas at zero duty rates for an appropriate volume as regards seven new products.

(2) In certain cases, the existing autonomous tariff quotas of the Union should be adapted. In the case of two products, it is necessary to amend the product description for clarification purposes and in order to take into account the recent product developments. In the case of six other products, the quota volumes should be increased as such increase is in the interest of economic operators of the Union.

(3) In the case of two products, the autonomous tariff quotas of the Union should be closed with effect from 1 July 2015 and converted into autonomous tariff suspensions, as there is no longer any need to limit the import volume.

(4) It should be clarified that any mixtures, preparations or products made up of different components containing products subject to autonomous tariff quotas are not covered by the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013.

(5) Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) Since the amendments pursuant to this Regulation should take effect from 1 July 2015, this Regulation should apply from that date,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Regulation (EU) 2015/981. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 1

Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013 is amended as follows:

(1) Article 1 is replaced by the following:

Article 1

1 For the products listed in the Annex, autonomous tariff quotas of the Union shall be opened within which the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties shall be suspended for the periods, at the duty rates, and up to the volumes indicated therein.

2 Paragraph 1 does not apply to any mixtures, preparations or products made up of different components containing products listed in the Annex.;

(2) the Annex is amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 July 2015.

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

Done at Luxembourg, 23 June 2015.

For the Council

The President

E. RINKĒVIČS

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ANNEX

The Annex to Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013 is amended as follows:

(1) the following rows for the tariff quotas with order numbers 09.2683, 09.2684, 09.2688, 09.2854, 09.2685, 09.2686, and 09.2687 are inserted following the order of the CN codes indicated in the second column of the table:

Order number	CN code	TARIC	Description	Quota period	Quota volume	Quota duty (%)
‘09.2683	ex 2914 19 90	50	Calcium acetylacetonate (CAS RN 19372-44-2) for use in the manufacture of stabilisator systems in tablet form[a]	01.07.-31.12.	250 tonnes	0 %
09.2684	ex 2916 39 90	28	2,5-Dimethylphenylacetyl chloride (CAS RN 55312-97-5)	01.07.-31.12.	125 tonnes	0 %
09.2688	ex 2920 90 85	70	Tris (2,4-di-tert-butylphenyl)phosphite (CAS RN 31570-04-4)	01.07.-31.12.	3 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2854	ex 2924 19 00	85	3-Iodoprop-2-ynyl N-butylcarbamate (CAS RN 55406-53-6)	01.07.-31.12.	250 tonnes	0 %
09.2685	ex 2929 90 00	30	Nitroguanidine (CAS RN 556-88-7)	01.07.-31.12.	3 250 tonnes	0 %
09.2686	ex 3204 11 00	75	Colourants C.I. Disperse Yellow 54 (CAS RN	01.07.-31.12.	1 250 kg	0 %

a Suspension of duties is subject to Articles 291 to 300 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93 of 2 July 1993 laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code (OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 1).’

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			7576-65-0) and preparations based thereon with a colourant C.I. Disperse Yellow 54 content of 99 % or more by weight			
09.2687	ex 3907 40 00	25	Polymer blend of polycarbonate and poly(methyl methacrylate) with a polycarbonate content of 98,5 GHT or more, in the form of pellets or granules, with a luminous transmittance of 88,5 % or more, measured using a test sample with a thickness of 4 mm at a wavelength of λ = 400 nm (according to ISO 13468-2)	01.07.-31.12	200 tonnes	0 %

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