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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Decision 2014/492/EU of 16 June 2014 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part[(1)], and the provisional application of Title V thereof concerning trade and trade-related matters,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products[(2)], and in particular Article 184 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Decision 2014/492/EU authorised the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part (the Agreement)[(3)]. Pursuant to Decision No 2014/492/EU, the Agreement is to be applied on a provisional basis, pending the completion of the procedures for its conclusion.

(2) Pursuant to Article 464(4) of the Agreement, the provisional application will be effective from the first day of the second month following the exchange of notifications. The last notification was made on 25 July 2014. Therefore, the Agreement applies on a provisional basis from 1 September 2014.

(3) Annex XV-A to the Agreement lists the Union's import tariff quotas for certain goods originating in the Republic of Moldova. It is therefore necessary to open tariff quotas for those goods.

(4) In order to benefit from the tariff concessions provided for in this Regulation, the goods listed in the Annex should be accompanied by proof of origin as provided for in the Agreement.

(5) The tariff quotas should be managed by the Commission on a first-come, first-served basis in accordance with Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93[(4)].

(6) The Agreement is applied provisionally as of 1 September 2014. In order to ensure the effective application and management of the tariff quotas granted under the Agreement, this Regulation should apply from that date.

(7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Customs Code Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Union tariff quotas are opened for the goods originating in the Republic of Moldova and listed in the Annex.

Article 2

The customs duties applicable to imports into the Union of goods originating in the Republic of Moldova and listed in that Annex shall, within the respective tariff quotas set out in that Annex, be suspended.

Article 3

The goods listed in the Annex shall be accompanied by proof of origin as set out in Protocol II to the Agreement.

[*F1**Article 4*

The tariff quotas set out in the Annex to this Regulation shall be managed in accordance with Articles 49 to 54 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2447[(5)].**]**

Textual Amendments

F1 Substituted by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/557 of 22 April 2020 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 988/2014 as regards Union tariff quotas for certain agricultural products originating in the Republic of Moldova.

Article 5

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 September 2014.

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

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 988/2014. (See end of Document for details)*

[F1ANNEX

Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products shall have no more than an indicative value. The scope of the preferential scheme shall be determined, within the context of this Annex, by the CN codes as they exist at the time of adoption of this Regulation.

Order No	**CN code**	**Description of goods**	**Quota period**	**Annual quota volume(in tonnes net weight unless otherwise specified)**
09.6800	0702 00 00	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled	From 1.9.2014 to 31.12.2014	2 000
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015 and for each calendar year thereafter	2 000
09.6801	0703 20 00	Garlic, fresh or chilled	From 1.9.2014 to 31.12.2014	220
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015 and for each calendar year thereafter	220
09.6802	0806 10 10	Table grapes, fresh	From 1.9.2014 to 31.12.2014	10 000
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015 and for each calendar year thereafter until 31.12.2019	10 000
			From 1.1.2020 to 31.12.2020 and for each calendar year thereafter	20 000
09.6803	0808 10 80	Apples, fresh (excluding cider apples, in bulk, from 16 September to 15 December)	From 1.9.2014 to 31.12.2014	40 000
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015 and for each calendar year thereafter	40 000
09.6806	0809 29 00	Cherries (excl. sour cherries), fresh	From 23.1.2020 to 31.12.2020 and for each calendar year thereafter	1 500