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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Decision 2012/734/EU of 25 June 2012 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and Central America on the other, and the provisional application of Part IV thereof concerning trade matters[(1)], and in particular Article 6 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) By Decision 2012/734/EU, the Council authorised the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and Central America on the other (hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement'). Pursuant to Decision 2012/734/EU, the Agreement is to be applied on a provisional basis, pending the completion of the procedures for its conclusion.

(2) Annex II to the Agreement concerns the definition of the concept of 'originating products' and methods of administrative cooperation. For a number of products, Appendix 2A to that Annex provides for the possibility of derogations from the rules of origin set out in Appendix 2 to Annex II in the framework of annual quotas. As the Union has decided to use that possibility, it is necessary to provide the conditions for the application of those derogations for imports from Costa Rica.

(3) The quotas set out in Appendix 2A to Annex II should be managed on a first-come, first-served basis in accordance with 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[(2)].

(4) Entitlement to benefit from the tariff concessions should be subject to the presentation of the relevant proof of origin to the customs authorities, as provided for in the Agreement.

(5) Since the Agreement applies on a provisional basis as of 1 October 2013, this Regulation should apply from the same date.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1012/2013. (See end of Document for details)*

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1 The rules of origin set out in Appendix 2A to Annex II to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and Central America on the other (hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement'), shall apply to the products listed in the Annex to this Regulation.

2 The rules of origin referred to in paragraph 1 shall apply by derogation from the rules of origin set out in Appendix 2 to Annex II to the Agreement, within the quotas set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

To benefit from the derogation set out in Article 1, the products shall be accompanied by a proof of origin as set out in Annex II to the Agreement.

Article 3

The quotas set out in the Annex shall be managed in accordance with Articles 308a, 308b and 308c of Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93.

Article 4

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

It shall apply from 1 October 2013.

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

Done at Brussels, 21 October 2013.

For the Commission

The President

José Manuel BARROSO

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ANNEX

COSTA RICA

Notwithstanding the rules for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature, the wording of the description of the products is to be considered as having no more than an indicative value, the scope of the preferential scheme being determined, within the context of this Annex, by 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 items (pairs) if not otherwise specified)
09.7017	6103 43 00	Men's or boys' trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear), knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	50 000
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	218 000
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	236 000
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	254 000
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	272 000
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	290 000
09.7018	6105 10 00	Men's or boys' shirts, knitted or crocheted, of cotton	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	150 000
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	654 000
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	708 000
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	762 000
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	816 000
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	870 000
09.7019	6105 90	Men's or boys' shirts, knitted	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	30 000

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		or crocheted, of other textile materials	From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	130 800
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	141 600
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	152 400
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	163 200
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	174 000
09.7020	6106 10 00	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts and shirt-blouses, knitted or crocheted, of cotton	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	112 500
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	490 500
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	531 000
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	571 500
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	612 000
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	652 500
09.7021	6107 11 00	Men's or boys' underpants and briefs, knitted or crocheted, of cotton	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	58 750
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	256 150
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	277 300
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	298 450
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	319 600
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	340 750

09.7022	6107 19 00	Men's or boys' underpants and briefs, knitted or crocheted, of other textile materials	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	17 500
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	76 300
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	82 600
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	88 900
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	95 200
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	101 500
09.7023	6108 21 00	Women's or girls' briefs and panties, knitted or crocheted, of cotton	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	11 750
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	51 230
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	55 460
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	59 690
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	63 920
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period thereafter from 1.1 to 31.12	68 150
09.7024	6108 22 00	Women's or girls' briefs and panties, knitted or crocheted, of man-made fibres	From 1.10.2013 to 31.12.2013	6 250
			From 1.1.2014 to 31.12.2014	27 250
			From 1.1.2015 to 31.12.2015	29 500
			From 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2016	31 750
			From 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017	34 000
			From 1.1.2018 to 31.12.2018 and for each period	36 250