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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EEC) No 2771/75 of the Council of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in eggs[(1)], and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EEC) No 2783/75 of the Council of 29 October 1975 on the common system of trade for ovalbumin and lactalbumin[(2)], and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1301/2006 of 31 August 2006 laying down common rules for the administration of import tariff quotas for agricultural products managed by a system of import licences[(3)], and in particular Article 7(2) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 539/2007 of 15 May 2007 opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas in the egg sector and for egg albumin[(4)], and in particular Article 5(6) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 539/2007 opened tariff quotas for imports of products in the egg sector and for egg albumin.

(2) The applications for import licences lodged during the first seven days of March 2008 for the subperiod 1 April to 30 June 2008 relate, for some quotas, to quantities exceeding those available. The extent to which licences may be issued should therefore be determined and an allocation coefficient laid down to be applied to the quantities applied for.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The quantities for which import licence applications have been lodged pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 539/2007 for the subperiod 1 April to 30 June 2008 shall be multiplied by the allocation coefficients set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 19 March 2008.

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

Done at Brussels, 18 March 2008.

For the Commission

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