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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the market in fruit and vegetables[(1)],

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1870/2005 of 16 November 2005 opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas and introducing a system of import licences and certificates of origin for garlic imported from third countries[(2)], and in particular Article 10(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The quantities for which licence applications have been lodged by traditonal importers and by new importers during the first five working days of January 2007, pursuant to Article 8(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1870/2005 exceed the quantities available for products originating in China, Argentina and all third countries other than China and Argentina.

(2) It is now necessary to establish the extent to which the licence applications sent to the Commission by 15 January 2007 can be met and to fix, for each category of importer and product origin, the dates until which the issue of certificates should be suspended,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Applications for import licences lodged pursuant to Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1870/2005, during the first five working days of January 2007 and sent to the Commission by 15 January 2007, shall be met at a percentage rate of the quantities applied for as set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

For each category of importer and the origin involved, applications for import licences pursuant to Article 4(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1870/2005 relating to the quarter from 1 March to 31 May 2007 and lodged after the first five working days of January 2007 but before the date in Annex II to this Regulation, shall be rejected.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on 23 January 2007.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EC) No 49/2007. (See end of Document for details)*

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

Done at Brussels, 22 January 2007.

For the Commission

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