COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/525

of 27 March 2015

amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules (1), and in particular Article 15(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 (2) lays down rules concerning the increased level of official controls to be carried out on imports of feed and food of non-animal origin listed in Annex I thereto ('the list'), at the points of entry into the territories referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.
- (2)Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 provides that the list is to be reviewed on a regular basis, and at least quarterly, taking into account at least the sources of information referred to in that Article.
- (3)The occurrence and relevance of recent food incidents notified through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed, the findings of audits to third countries carried out by the Food and Veterinary Office, as well as the quarterly reports on consignments of feed and food of non-animal origin submitted by Member States to the Commission in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 indicate that the list should be amended.
- In particular, for consignments of almonds originating from Australia, pistachios originating from the United (4)States and dried apricots originating from Uzbekistan, the relevant sources of information indicate the emergence of new risks requiring the introduction of an increased level of official controls. Entries concerning those consignments should therefore be included in the list.
- (5) In addition, it is necessary to amend the endnotes set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 in order to ensure that the controls carried out by the Member States in accordance with that Regulation target at least the pesticides listed in the control programme adopted in accordance with Article 29(2) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 (3) that can be analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-MS. It is also appropriate to maintain individual endnotes as regards certain pesticides which are not listed in that control programme or which may require, in one or more Member States, a single-residue method in order to be analysed.
- In order to ensure consistency and clarity, it is appropriate to replace Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 (6)by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.
- (7) Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 of 24 July 2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin and amending Decision 2006/504/EC (OJ L 194, 25.7.2009, p. 11).

(3) Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of

pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC (OJ L 70, 16.3.2005, p. 1).

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 April 2015.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 March 2015.

For the Commission
The President
Jean-Claude JUNCKER

ANNEX

'ANNEX I

Feed and food of non-animal origin subject to an increased level of official controls at the designated point of entry

Feed and food (intended use)	CN code (¹)	TARIC sub- division	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)
Dried grapes (vine fruit)	0806 20		Afghanistan	Ochratoxin A	50
(Food)			(AF)		
— Almonds, in shell	— 0802 11		Australia (AU)	Aflatoxins	20
— Almonds, shelled	— 0802 12				
(Food)					
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	— 1202 41 00		Brazil (BR)	Aflatoxins	10
— Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled	— 1202 42 00				
— Peanut butter	— 2008 11 10				
 Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved 	- 2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98				
(Feed and food)					
— Yardlong beans (Vigna unguiculata spp. sesquipedalis)	— ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	10 10	Cambodia (KH)	Pesticide residues (2) (3)	50
— Aubergines	- 0709 30 00; ex 0710 80 95	72			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)					
Chinese celery (Apium graveolens)	ex 0709 40 00	20	Cambodia (KH)	Pesticide resi-	50
(Food — fresh or chilled herb)				dues (2) (4)	
Brassica oleracea (other edible Brassica, "Chinese Broccoli") (5)	ex 0704 90 90	40	China (CN)	Pesticide residues (2)	50
(Food — fresh or chilled)					
Tea, whether or not flavoured	0902		China (CN)	Pesticide resi-	10
(Food)				dues (2) (6)	
— Aubergines	— 0709 30 00; ex 0710 80 95	72	Dominican Republic (DO)	Pesticide residues (2) (7)	10
— Bitter melon (Momordica charantia)	— ex 0709 99 90; ex 0710 80 95	70 70			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)					



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Feed and food (intended use)	CN code (1)	TARIC sub- division	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)
Yardlong beans (Vigna unguiculata spp. sesquipedalis)	— ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	10 10	Dominican Republic (DO)	Pesticide residues (2) (7)	20
— Peppers (sweet and other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	- 0709 60 10; ex 0709 60 99	20			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)	- 0710 80 51; ex 0710 80 59	20			
Strawberries (fresh)	0810 10 00		Egypt (EG)	Pesticide resi-	10
(Food)				dues (²) (8)	
Peppers (sweet and other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	0709 60 10; ex 0709 60 99;	20	Egypt (EG)	Pesticide residues (²) (°)	10
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen)	0710 80 51; ex 0710 80 59	20			
Betel leaves (Piper betle L.)	ex 1404 90 00	10	India (IN)	Salmonella (10)	50
(Food)					
Sesamum seeds	1207 40 90		India (IN)	Salmonella (10)	20
(Food — fresh or chilled)					
— Capsicum annuum, whole	— 0904 21 10 — ex 0904 22 00	10	India (IN)	Aflatoxins	20
 Capsicum annuum, crushed or ground 	— 0904 21 90				
 Dried fruit of the genus Capsicum, whole, other than sweet peppers (Capsicum annuum) Nutmeg (Myristica fragrans) 	— 0908 11 00; 0908 12 00				
(Food — dried spices)					
Enzymes; prepared enzymes	3507		India (IN)	Chlorampheni-	50
(Feed and food)				col	
Nutmeg (Myristica fragrans)	- 0908 11 00; 0908 12 00		Indonesia (ID)	Aflatoxins	20
(Food — dried spices)					
— Peas with pods (unshelled)	— ex 0708 10 00 — ex 0708 20 00	40 40	Kenya (KE)	Pesticide residues (2) (11)	10
— Beans with pods (unshelled)					
(Food — fresh or chilled)					
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Feed and food		TARIC sub-			Frequency of
(intended use)	CN code (1)	division	Country of origin	Hazard	physical and iden- tity checks (%)
Mint	ex 1211 90 86;	30	Morocco (MA)	Pesticide residues (2) (12)	10
(Food — fresh or chilled herb)	ex 2008 99 99	70		dues (-) ()	
Dried beans	0713 39 00		Nigeria (NG)	Pesticide residues (2)	50
(Food)				dues (-)	
Table grapes	0806 10 10		Peru (PE)	Pesticide resi-	10
(Food — fresh)				dues (2) (13)	
Watermelon (Egusi, Citrullus lanatus) seeds and derived products	ex 1207 70 00; ex 1106 30 90; ex 2008 99 99	10 30 50	Sierra Leone (SL)	Aflatoxins	50
(Food)					
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	— 1202 41 00		Sudan (SD)	Aflatoxins	50
— Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled	— 1202 42 00				
— Peanut butter	— 2008 11 10				
 Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved 	- 2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98				
(Feed and food)					
Peppers (other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	ex 0709 60 99	20	Thailand (TH)	Pesticide residues (2) (14)	10
(Food — fresh or chilled)					
Betel leaves (Piper betle L.)	ex 1404 90 00	10	Thailand (TH)	Salmonella (10)	50
(Food)					
Yardlong beans (Vigna unguiculata spp. sesquipedalis)	— ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	10 10	Thailand (TH)	Pesticide residues (2) (15)	20
— Aubergines	— 0709 30 00; ex 0710 80 95	72			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)					
— Dried apricots	— 0813 10 00		Turkey (TR)	Sulphites (16)	10
 Apricots, otherwise prepared or preserved 	— 2008 50 61				
(Food)					
— Sweet peppers (Capsicum annuum)	- 0709 60 10; 0710 80 51		Turkey (TR)	Pesticide residues (2) (17)	10
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)					

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Feed and food (intended use)	CN code (¹)	TARIC sub- division	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and iden- tity checks (%)
Vine leaves	ex 2008 99 99	11; 19	Turkey (TR)	Pesticide residues (2) (18)	20
(Food)				dues (-) ()	
— Pistachios, in shell	— 0802 51 00		United States (US)	Aflatoxins	20
— Pistachios, shelled	— 0802 52 00				
(Food)					
— Dried apricots	— 0813 10 00		Uzbekistan (UZ)	Sulphites (16)	50
— Apricots, otherwise prepared or preserved	— 2008 50 61				
(Food)					
Dried grapes (vine fruit)	0806 20		Uzbekistan	Ochratoxin A	50
(Food)			(UZ)		
— Coriander leaves	— ex 0709 99 90	72	Viet Nam (VN)	Pesticide residues (2) (19)	20
— Basil (holy, sweet)	— ex 1211 90 86;	20			
	ex 2008 99 99	75			
— Mint	— ex 1211 90 86;	30			
	ex 2008 99 99	70			
— Parsley	— ex 0709 99 90	40			
(Food — fresh or chilled herbs)					
— Pitahaya (dragon fruit)	— ex 0810 90 20	10	Viet Nam (VN)	Pesticide residues (2) (19)	20
— Okra	— ex 0709 99 90	20			
— Peppers (other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	— ex 0709 60 99	20			
(Food — fresh or chilled)					

- (1) Where only certain products under any CN code are required to be examined and no specific subdivision under that code exists, the CN code is marked "ex".
- (2) Residues of at least those pesticides listed in the control programme adopted in accordance with Article 29(2) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC (OJ L 70, 16.3.2005, p. 1) that can be analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-MS (pesticides to be monitored in/on products of plant origin only).
- (3) Residues of Chlorbufam.
- (4) Residues of Phenthoate.
- (5) Species of Brassica oleracea L. convar. Botrytis (L) Alef var.Italica Plenck, cultivar alboglabra. Also known as "Kai Lan", "Gai Lan", "Gailan", "Kailan", "Chinese bare Jielan".
- (6) Residues of Trifluralin.
- (7) Residues of Acephate, Aldicarb (sum of aldicarb, its sulfoxide and its sulfone, expressed as aldicarb), Amitraz (amitraz including the metabolites containing the 2,4-dimethylaniline moiety expressed as amitraz), Diafenthiuron, Dicofol (sum of p, p' and o,p' isomers), Dithiocarbamates (dithiocarbamates expressed as CS2, including maneb, mancozeb, metiram, propineb, thiram and ziram) and Methiocarb (sum of methiocarb and methiocarb sulfoxide and sulfone, expressed as methiocarb).
- (8) Residues of Hexaflumuron, Methiocarb (sum of methiocarb and methiocarb sulfoxide and sulfone, expressed as methiocarb), Phenthoate and Thiophanate-methyl.
- (9) Residues of Dicofol (sum of p, p' and o,p' isomers), Dinotefuran, Folpet, Prochloraz (sum of prochloraz and its metabolites containing the 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol moiety expressed as prochloraz), Thiophanate-methyl and Triforine.
- (10) Reference method EN/ISO 6579 or a method validated against it as referred to in Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005 of 15 November 2005 on microbiological criteria for foodstuffs (OJ L 338, 22.12.2005, p. 1).

- (11) Residues of Acephate and Diafenthiuron.
- (12) Residues of Flubendiamide.
- (13) Residues of Ethephon.
- (14) Residues of Formetanate: sum of formetanate and its salts expressed as formetanate (hydrochloride), Prothiofos and Triforine.
- (15) Residues of Acephate, Dicrotophos, Prothiofos, Quinalphos and Triforine.
- (16) Reference methods: EN 1988-1:1998, EN 1988-2:1998 or ISO 5522:1981.
- (17) Residues of Diafenthiuron, Formetanate: sum of formetanate and its salts expressed as formetanate (hydrochloride) and Thiophanate-methyl.
- (18) Residues of Dithiocarbamates (dithiocarbamates expressed as CS2, including maneb, mancozeb, metiram, propineb, thiram and ziram) and Metrafenone.
- (19) Residues of Dithiocarbamates (dithiocarbamates expressed as CS2, including maneb, mancozeb, metiram, propineb, thiram and ziram), Phenthoate and Quinalphos.'