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Committee on Import Licensing

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AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 5.1-5.4 OF THE AGREEMENT¹

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The following notification, dated 8 April 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Ecuador.

| | Category | Notification details |
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| 1 | Notifying Member: | Ecuador |
| 2 | Title of new legislation/procedure | Instructions for obtaining non-automatic import licences for products under the control of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAG) (Resolution No. 022-2022). |
| 3 | Date of publication: | Instructions: 7 March 2022 |
| 4 | Date of entry into force | Instructions: 7 March 2022 |
| 5 | Website link/Official publication of the new regulation/procedure | http://servicios.agricultura.gob.ec/mag01/pdfs/aministerial/2022/022-2022.pdf |
| 6 | Have you attached a copy of the regulation (PDF) to the Secretariat? | [] Yes. <i>(Please attach a copy of the regulation to the notification)</i> [X] No. |
| 7 | Type of notification | [X] (a) New licensing regulation/procedure ² ; <i>(please answer questions 8 to 14)</i> [] (b) Changes to a regulation/procedure previously notified in document: <i>(please answer questions 15 and 16)</i> |
| 8 | List of products subject to licensing | Annex I – Import licences for products |
| 9 | Nature of licensing | Automatic: [] Non-Automatic: [X] |
| 10 | Administrative purpose/measure being implemented | (a) <input type="checkbox"/> Protect public morals (b) <input type="checkbox"/> Protect human, animal or plant life or health (c) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collect trade statistics or market surveillance (d) <input type="checkbox"/> Protection of patents, trademarks and copyrights, and the prevention of deceptive practices; (e) <input type="checkbox"/> Pursue obligations under the UN Charter and other international treaties (<i>i.e. CITES, Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention, UNSC Resolutions etc.</i>) (f) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quota (including TRQ) administration (g) <input type="checkbox"/> Regulate imports of arms, ammunition or fissionable materials and safeguard national security (h) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Import authorization for agricultural products</u> (please specify) |

¹ It is understood that the notifying Member has also completed its notification obligations under Article 1.4(a) and Article 8.2(b) regarding the relevant law/regulation/procedure notified for by filling this form in a full and complete manner.

² "New licensing regulation/procedure" is understood to refer to any newly introduced law, regulation or procedure, and those which are in force but being notified for the first time to the Committee.

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| 11 | Administrative body(ies) for submission of applications | Ministry/authority and department: Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock / Undersecretariat for Agricultural Marketing Address: Directorate for Agricultural Trade Management Website: https://www.agricultura.gob.ec/subsecretaria-de-comercializacion Tel: (+593-2) 3960 100 Ext. 1106 Email: rverag@mag.gob.ec |
| 12 | Contact point for information on eligibility Ministry/authority and Department: | Ministry/authority and department: Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock / Undersecretariat for Agricultural Marketing Address: Directorate for Agricultural Trade Management Website: https://www.agricultura.gob.ec/subsecretaria-de-comercializacion Tel: (+593-2) 3960 100 Ext. 1106 Email: rverag@mag.gob.ec |
| 13 | Expected duration of licensing procedure | Ongoing. |
| 14 | A summary of the notification in one of the WTO official languages | <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAG) Resolution No. 022-2022 of 7 March 2022 establishing the procedure for granting and administering non-automatic import licences for products under the control of the MAG, as specified in Annex I.</p> <p>In order to obtain the non-automatic import licence, natural or legal persons must be classified as importers of agricultural products.</p> <p>The non-automatic import licence shall be issued prior to the shipment of the goods on the following basis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Two periods each year – from 1 to 21 December and 1 to 21 June – will be open for the receipt of applications. Applications will be received by the MAG Undersecretariat for Agricultural Marketing. (b) The MAG Undersecretariat for Agricultural Marketing will review applications taking account of applicants' import history in the last three years to ensure that imports are used in their entirety and to avoid market distortions in relation to products. (c) Approved applications must be implemented within the period specified in the respective import licence. However, the use of the import licence may not go beyond 31 December of the year in which the licence is granted. <p>The granting and approval of the non-automatic import licence shall not relieve importers of the obligation to satisfy requirements relating to animal and/or plant health, food safety or the like, applicable to agricultural products.</p> <p>The licence will be granted by the fourth day following the electronic submission of the application via the Single Window for Foreign Trade, provided that the application complies with the established requirements.</p> <p>The non-automatic import licence shall have a period of validity of 180 days from the date of issue and shall be authorized for a single consignment or shipment, with an ordinary period of 90 days and an extraordinary period of 90 additional days.</p> <p>As regards procedures for non-automatic import licences in 2022, applications will be received from 1 to 21 March 2022.</p> |

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| 15 | In the case of 7(b), please indicate the type of new change(s) | <p>(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Termination</p> <p>(b) <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension</p> <p>(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Modification of specific details in existing procedures:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Product coverage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administrative purpose</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Automatic or Non-automatic</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Duration of licensing product coverage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Change in the nature of quantity/value restriction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility of applicants</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Contact information on eligibility</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administrative body(ies) for submission of application</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Documentation requirements (including application form)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Period for application</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administrative body(ies) issuing licences</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Processing time for issuing licence</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Licence fee/administrative charge</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deposit/advance payment and relevant conditions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal regulations/procedures</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Validity of licence</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other conditions of licence (extension, transferability, penalty for non-use etc.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Foreign exchange requirements</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (please specify)</p> |
| 16 | Please explain the changes in detail (in one of the official WTO languages) | |

ANNEX

Products subject to import licensing

| Product family | Subheading | Description |
|------------------------|---------------|--|
| Bovine meat | 0201.10.00.00 | - Carcasses and half-carcasses |
| | 0201.20.00.00 | - Other cuts with bone in |
| | 0201.30.00.10 | - - Fine cuts |
| | 0201.30.00.90 | - - Other |
| | 0202.10.00.00 | - Carcasses and half-carcasses |
| | 0202.20.00.00 | - Other cuts with bone in |
| | 0202.30.00.10 | - - Fine cuts |
| | 0202.30.00.90 | - - Other |
| Pigmeat | 0203.11.00.00 | - - Carcasses and half-carcasses |
| | 0203.12.00.00 | - - Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in |
| | 0203.19.10.00 | - - - Boneless meat |
| | 0203.19.20.00 | - - - Chops, ribs |
| | 0203.19.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0203.21.00.00 | - - Carcasses and half-carcasses |
| | 0203.22.00.00 | - - Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in |
| | 0203.29.10.00 | - - - Boneless meat |
| | 0203.29.20.00 | - - - Chops, ribs |
| | 0203.29.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0206.49.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0206.90.00.00 | - Other, frozen |
| | 0209.10.10.00 | - - Pig fat, free of lean meat |
| | 0209.10.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 0210.11.00.00 | - - Hams, shoulders and cuts thereof, with bone in |
| | 0210.19.00.00 | - - Other |
| Chicken meat | 0207.11.00.00 | - - Not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled |
| | 0207.12.00.00 | - - Not cut in pieces, frozen |
| | 0207.13.00.00 | - - Cuts and offal, fresh or chilled |
| | 0207.14.00.00 | - - Cuts and offal, frozen |
| Dairy products | 0401.10.00.00 | - Of a fat content, by weight, not exceeding 1% |
| | 0401.20.00.00 | - Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 1% but not exceeding 6% |
| | 0401.40.00.00 | - Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 6% but not exceeding 10% |
| | 0401.50.00.00 | - Of a fat content, by weight, exceeding 10% |
| | 0402.10.10.00 | - - In packings of a net content not exceeding 2.5 kg |
| | 0402.10.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 0402.21.11.00 | - - - - In packings of a net content not exceeding 2.5 kg |
| | 0402.21.19.00 | - - - - Other |
| | 0402.21.91.00 | - - - - In packings of a net content not exceeding 2.5 kg |
| | 0402.21.99.00 | - - - - Other |
| | 0402.29.11.00 | - - - - In packings of a net content not exceeding 2.5 kg |
| | 0402.29.19.00 | - - - - Other |
| | 0402.29.91.00 | - - - - In packings of a net content not exceeding 2.5 kg |
| | 0402.29.99.00 | - - - - Other |
| | 0403.90.10.00 | - - Buttermilk |
| | 0403.90.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 0404.10.10.00 | - - Whey, partially or completely demineralized |
| | 0404.10.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 0404.90.00.00 | - Other |
| | 0405.10.00.00 | - Butter |
| | 0405.90.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 0406.10.00.00 | - Fresh (unripened or uncured) cheese, including whey cheese, and curd |
| | 0406.20.00.00 | - Grated or powdered cheese, of all kinds |
| Yellow and white maize | 1005.90.11.00 | - - - Yellow |
| | 1005.90.12.00 | - - - White |
| Rice | 1006.10.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 1006.20.00.00 | - Husked (brown) rice |

| Product family | Subheading | Description |
|---|---------------|---|
| | 1006.30.00.00 | - Semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether or not polished or glazed |
| | 1006.40.00.00 | - Broken rice |
| Palm oil – linked to soya | 1511.10.00.00 | - Crude oil |
| Sugar | 1701.99.90.90 | - - - - Other |
| Cocoa and cocoa preparations | 1801.00.19.90 | - - - Other |
| Coffee | 0901.11.90.10 | - - - - Arabica |
| Pigmeat | 0203.19.30.00 | - - - Pig fat with lean meat |
| | 0203.29.30.00 | - - - Pig fat with lean meat |
| | 0206.49.10.00 | - - - Edible skin (hide, skin) |
| | 0210.12.00.00 | - - Bellies (streaky) and cuts thereof |
| Turkey meat | 0207.24.00.00 | - - Not cut in pieces, fresh or chilled |
| | 0207.25.00.00 | - - Not cut in pieces, frozen |
| | 0207.26.00.00 | - - Cuts and offal, fresh or chilled |
| | 0207.27.00.00 | - - Cuts and offal, frozen |
| Vegetables | 0703.10.00.11 | - - - Pearl (white) onions (<i>Allium cepa</i> L.) |
| | 0703.10.00.12 | - - - Red onions (<i>Allium cepa</i> L.) |
| | 0703.10.00.19 | - - - Other |
| | 0710.10.00.00 | - Potatoes |
| | 0713.31.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0713.32.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0713.34.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0713.35.90.00 | - - - Other |
| | 0713.39.91.00 | - - - - Lima beans (<i>Phaseolus lunatus</i>) |
| | 0713.39.99.00 | - - - - Other |
| | 1201.90.00.00 | - Other |
| Coffee | 0901.11.90.20 | - - - - Robusta |
| Sorghum | 1007.90.00.00 | - Other |
| Cereals, durum wheat, barley, other wheat | 1003.90.00.10 | - - For malting or for brewing beer |
| | 1003.90.00.90 | - - Other |
| | 1005.90.90.00 | - - Other |
| | 1001.19.00.00 | - - Other |
| | 1001.99.10.00 | - - - Other wheat |
| Soyabean oil | 1507.10.00.00 | - Crude oil, whether or not degummed |
| Cocoa and cocoa preparations | 1801.00.19.10 | - - - Certified organic |
| | 1802.00.00.00 | Cocoa shells, husks, skins and other cocoa waste |
| Canned vegetables | 2004.10.00.00 | - Potatoes |
| | 2005.20.00.00 | - Potatoes |
| Inputs for animal feed | 2302.40.00.00 | - Of other cereals |
| | 2304.00.00.00 | Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soyabean oil |
| | 2309.90.90.19 | - - - - Other |
| | 2309.90.90.99 | - - - - Other |
| Sugar and confectionery | 1701.99.90.10 | - - - - Certified organic |
| Kidney beans | 0713.33.91.00 | - - - - Black beans |
| | 0713.33.92.00 | - - - - Canary beans |
| | 0713.33.99.00 | - - - - Other |