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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Adjustment of Appendices under the Dairy Tariff-Rate Quota Import Licensing Regulation for the 2019 Tariff-Rate Quota Year

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the transfer of amounts for certain dairy articles from the historical license category (Appendix 1) to the lottery (nonhistorical) license category (Appendix 2) pursuant to the Dairy Tariff-Rate Quota Import Licensing regulations, 7 CFR part 6, for the 2019 quota year.

DATES: [Insert date of publication in the Federal Register]

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Foreign Agricultural Service, under a delegation of authority from the Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs, administers the Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing Regulation codified at 7 CFR 6.20-6.36 that provides for the issuance of licenses to import certain dairy articles under tariff-rate quotas (TRQs) as set forth in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) of the United States. These dairy articles may only be entered into the United States at the low-tier tariff by or for the account of a person or firm to whom such licenses have been issued and only in accordance with the terms and conditions of the regulation.

Licenses are issued on a calendar year basis, and each license authorizes the

license holder to import a specified quantity and type of dairy article from a specified country of origin. The Import Policies and Export Reporting Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, issues these licenses and, in conjunction with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, monitors their use.

The regulation at 7 CFR 6.34(a) states that whenever a historical license is permanently surrendered, revoked by the Licensing Authority, or not issued to an applicant pursuant to the provisions of 6.23, then the amount of such license will be transferred to Appendix 2. Section 6.34(b) provides that the cumulative annual transfers will be published by notice in the Federal Register. Accordingly, this document sets forth the revised Appendices for the 2019 tariff-rate quota year in the table below. Although there are no changes to the quantities for designated licenses (Appendix 3 and Appendix 4) nor to the total amount for each article, those numbers are also included in the table below for completeness.

Pursuant to the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801 et seq.), the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs designated this rule as not a major rule, as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Dated: August 2, 2019.
Ronald Lord,

Licensing Authority.

Articles Subject to Dairy Import Licenses for Calendar Year 2019 (Kilograms) 1/

NON-CHEESE ARTICLES, Notes 6, 7, 8, 12, 14 (Appendix 1 reduction)	Historical Licenses (Appendix 1) 2/	Lottery Licenses (Appendix 2) 3/	Sum of Appendix 1 & 2 4/	Designated Licenses (Tokyo Round, Appendix 3) 4/	Designated Licenses (Uruguay Round, Appendix 4) 4/	Total 4/
BUTTER (NOTE 6, Commodity Code G) (-1,773 kg)	4,301,461	2,675,539	6,977,000			6,977,000
EU-27	62,599	33,562	96,161			
New Zealand	76,503	74,090	150,593			
Other Countries (-1,773 kg)	35,382	38,553	73,935			
Any Country	4,126,977	2,529,334	6,656,311			
DRIED SKIM MILK (NOTE 7, Commodity Code K)	0	5,261,000	5,261,000			5,261,000
Australia	0	600,076	600,076			
Canada	0	219,565	219,565			
Any Country	0	4,441,359	4,441,359			
DRIED WHOLE MILK (NOTE 8, Commodity Code H)	0	3,321,300	3,321,300			3,321,300
New Zealand	0	3,175	3,175			
Any Country	0	3,318,125	3,318,125			
DRIED BUTTERMILK/WHEY (NOTE 12, Commodity Code M)	0	224,981	224,981			224,981
Canada	0	161,161	161,161			
New Zealand	0	63,820	63,820			

BUTTER SUBSTITUTES CONTAINING OVER 45 PERCENT OF BUTTERFAT AND/OR BUTTER OIL (NOTE 14, Commodity Code SU)	0	6,080,500	6,080,500			6,080,500
Any Country	0	6,080,500	6,080,500			
TOTAL: NON- CHEESE ARTICLES <i>(-1,773 kg)</i>	4,301,461	17,563,320	21,864,781			21,864,781
CHEESE ARTICLES (Notes 16,17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25)						
CHEESE AND SUBSTITUTES FOR CHEESE (NOTE 16, Commodity Code OT) <i>(-2,142 kg)</i>	17,613,583	13,856,148	31,469,731	9,661,128	7,496,000	48,626,859
Argentina	0	7,690	7,690	92,310		100,000
Australia	535,628	5,542	541,170	758,830	1,750,000	3,050,000
Canada	950,162	190,838	1,141,000			1,141,000
Costa Rica	0	0	0		1,550,000	1,550,000
EU-27 <i>(-2,142 kg)</i>	13,932,093	9,335,563	23,267,656	1,132,568	3,446,000	27,846,224
Of which Portugal is:	65,838	63,471	129,309	223,691		353,000
EU-27 not including Portugal <i>(-2,142 kg)</i>	13,866,255	9,272,092	23,138,347	908,877	3,466,000	27,493,224

Israel	79,696	0	79,696	593,304		673,000
Iceland	29,054	264,946	294,000	29,000		323,000
New Zealand	1,351,000	3,464,472	4,815,472	6,506,528		11,322,000
Norway	122,860	27,140	150,000			150,000
Switzerland	512,184	159,228	671,412	548,588	500,000	1,720,000
Uruguay	0	0	0		250,000	250,000
Other Countries	100,906	100,729	201,635			201,635
Any Country	0	300,000	300,000			300,000
BLUE-MOLD CHEESE (NOTE 17, Commodity Code B)	1,933,126	547,875	2,481,001		430,000	2,911,001
Argentina	2,000	0	2,000			2,000
EU-27	1,931,126	547,874	2,479,000		350,000	2,829,000
Chile	0	0	0		80,000	80,000
Other Countries	0	1	1			1
CHEDDAR CHEESE (NOTE 18, Commodity Code C) (-4,676 kg)	2,300,995	1,982,861	4,283,856	519,033	7,620,000	12,422,889
Australia (-4,676 kg)	886,570	97,929	984,499	215,501	1,250,000	2,450,000
Chile	0	0	0		220,000	220,000
EU-27	52,404	210,596	263,000		1,050,000	1,313,000
New Zealand	1,265,070	1,531,398	2,796,468	303,532	5,100,000	8,200,000
Other Countries	96,951	42,938	139,889			139,889
Any Country	0	100,000	100,000			100,000
AMERICAN-TYPE CHEESE (NOTE 19, Commodity Code A) (-17,442 kg)	1,165,127	2,000,426	3,165,553	357,003	0	3,522,556
Australia (-3,689 kg)	758,201	122,797	880,998	119,002		1,000,000
EU-27	136,075	217,925	354,000			354,000
New Zealand	167,795	1,594,204	1,761,999	238,001		2,000,000

<i>(-9,070 kg)</i>						
Other Countries	103,056	65,500	168,556			168,556
<i>(-4,683 kg)</i>						
EDAM AND GOUDA CHEESE (NOTE 20, Commodity Code E)	4,286,917	1,319,485	5,606,402	0	1,210,000	6,816,402
Argentina	105,418	19,582	125,000		110,000	235,000
EU-27	4,065,691	1,223,309	5,289,000		1,100,000	6,389,000
Norway	111,046	55,954	167,000			167,000
Other Countries	4,762	20,640	25,402			25,402
ITALIAN-TYPE CHEESES (NOTE 21, Commodity Code D)	6,104,896	1,415,651	7,520,547	795,517	5,165,000	13,481,064
<i>(-2,288 kg)</i>						
Argentina	3,692,345	433,138	4,125,483	367,517	1,890,000	6,383,000
EU-27 <i>(-2,288 kg)</i>	2,412,551	969,449	3,382,000		2,025,000	5,407,000
Romania	0	0	0		500,000	500,000
Uruguay	0	0	0	428,000	750,000	1,178,000
Other Countries	0	13,064	13,064			13,064
SWISS OR EMMENTHALER CHEESE (NOTE 22, Commodity Code GR)	4,238,006	2,413,308	6,651,314	823,519	380,000	7,854,833
EU-27	2,983,722	2,168,272	5,151,994	393,006	380,000	5,925,000
Switzerland	1,220,786	198,701	1,419,487	430,513		1,850,000
Other Countries	33,498	46,335	79,833			79,833
LOWFAT CHEESE (NOTE 23, Commodity Code LF)	1,173,766	3,251,142	4,424,908	1,050,000	0	5,474,908
EU-27	1,173,766	3,251,141	4,424,907			4,424,907
Israel	0	0	0	50,000		50,000
New Zealand	0	0	0	1,000,000		1,000,000

Other Countries	0	1	1			1
SWISS OR EMMENTHALER CHEESE WITH EYE FORMATION (NOTE 25, SW) (-13,091 kg)	13,091,848	9,205,483	22,297,331	9,557,945	2,620,000	34,475,276
Argentina	0	9,115	9,115	70,885		80,000
Australia	209,698	0	209,698	290,302		500,000
Canada	0	0	0	70,000		70,000
EU-27 (-13,091 kg)	9,762,199	6,714,629	16,476,828	4,003,172	2,420,000	22,900,000
Iceland	0	149,999	149,999	150,001		300,000
Israel	27,000	0	27,000			27,000
Norway	2,285,329	1,369,981	3,655,310	3,227,690		6,883,000
Switzerland	759,369	924,736	1,684,105	1,745,895	200,000	3,630,000
Other Countries	48,253	37,023	85,276			85,276
TOTAL: CHEESE ARTICLES (-39,639 kg)	51,908,264	35,992,379	87,900,643	22,764,145	24,921,000	135,585,788
TOTAL: CHEESE & NON- CHEESE (-41,412 kg)	56,209,725	53,555,699	109,765,424	22,764,145	24,921,000	157,450,569

1/ Source of the total TRQs is the U.S. Harmonized Tariff Schedule, Chapter 4, in the corresponding Additional U.S. Notes.

2/ Reduced from 2018 by total of 107,200 KG

3/ Increased from 2018 by total of 107,200 KG

4/ No change.

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