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Report Highlights:

On August 31, 2016, the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) published Decision No. 97 of August 30, 2016, establishing tariff-rate quotas (TRQs) and respective volumes for imports of meat, poultry and whey into the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU). Unchanged from 2016, Russia's TRQ volumes appear consistent with its WTO commitments. Belarus and Kazakhstan TRQ volumes also remained unchanged. TRQ volumes for Kyrgyzstan appeared for pork and poultry in 2016. The EEC decision does not establish any TRQs for new EAEU member Armenia. The current members are Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, and Russia.

General Information:

On August 31, 2016, the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) published [Decision 97](#), “On Establishment of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of Certain Agricultural Goods into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2017, as well as Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of these Goods in the Territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member-States.”

The Russian TRQ volumes for 2017 will be the same as in 2016, which appear to be consistent with its WTO commitments. As in the previous year, the EEC Decision on 2017 TRQs does not specify country-specific allocations for Russia but rather leaves it up to the country to “ensure distribution of the tariff-rate quotas established by the present Decision among third countries in accordance with Russian legislation and Russia’s commitments within the framework of the World Trade Organization.”

Kazakhstan keeps the same TRQ volume, but included deboned turkey meat fresh and chilled HS 0207 26 100 1 HS 0207 26 100 1. The TRQ volumes for Belarus remained unchanged from 2016. At the same time, Belarus, the same as Kazakhstan, included deboned turkey meat fresh and chilled into its TRQ.

The Kyrgyz Republic first received TRQs as a member of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) [1] in October 2015 [2]. In 2016, Kyrgyzstan received increased TRQs for pork amounting to 3.5 thousand MT and for all meat and edible byproducts of poultry under HS 0105 at the volume of 58.0 thousand MT. According to EAEU Decision 134 of October 6, 2015, the Kyrgyz Republic was to have received a 200 ton TRQ for beef in 2016[2].

EEC Decision No. 97 of August 31, 2015, does not establish any TRQs for Armenia as a new EAEU member. Armenia has lower WTO bound tariff rates than the EAEU TRQ tariff rates and has negotiated step-by-step increases through 2022 [3].

The proposed TRQ allocations will enter into force 30 days from the date of the decision’s official publication, i.e., September 30, 2016).

^[1] For details on the Eurasian Economic Union, please see GAIN report [RS1478 Eurasian Integration Continues with the Eurasian Economic Union](#).

^[2] For the October 2015 announcement of TRQ rates for the Kyrgyz Republic see [KG1504 Meat Poultry Whey TRQs Established for Kyrgyzstan](#).

^[3] See [AM1501 Transitional Import Tariffs for Armenia in EAEU until 2022](#).

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**EURASIAN ECONOMIC COMMISSION
COLLEGIUM**

D E C I S I O N

August 30, 2016

No. 97

Moscow

On Establishment of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of Certain Agricultural Goods into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2017, as well as Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of these Goods in the Territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member-States

In accordance with articles 44 and 45 of the Treaty on the Eurasian Economic Union of May 29, 2014, Annexes No. 6 and 7 thereto, and the Agreement on the Functioning of the Customs Union within the Framework of the Multilateral Trade System of May 19, 2011, the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission has **decided**:

1. For certain types of agricultural goods, imported into the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2017, to establish tariff-rate quotas and volumes of tariff-rate quotas for the import of these goods in the territories of the Eurasian Economic Union member-states according to the attachments (hereinafter – the tariff-rate quotas).

2. To establish that the tariff-rate quotas, which was instituted by the present Decision, shall apply to agricultural goods imported into the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union and placed under the customs procedure of release for domestic consumption, with the exception of goods originating in and imported from the CIS member-states.

3. The Russian Federation shall ensure distribution of the volume of the tariff-rate quotas, established by the present Decision, among third countries in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation and commitments of the Russian Federation within the framework of the World Trade Organization.

4. Eurasian Economic Union member-states shall:

Implement distribution of the volumes of the tariff-rate quotas, established by the present Decision, among foreign trade participants in accordance with their legislation;

Instruct the authorized executive bodies to issue licenses for the import of goods, specified in item 1 of the present Decision.

5. This Decision shall enter into force in 30 calendar days from the date of its official publication.

Chairman of the Collegium
of the Eurasian Economic Commission T. Sarkisyan

ATTACHMENT
to Decision of the Collegium
of the Eurasian Economic Commission
No. 97 of August 30, 2016

Certain Types of Agricultural Goods to be Imported into the Customs Territory of the Eurasian Economic Union in 2017, which are Subject to Tariff-Rate Quotas, and the Volume of the Tariff-Rate Quotas for Import of these Goods in the Territories of the Eurasian Economic Union Member-States

Product Name	EAEU HS Code	Volumes of Tariff-Rate Quotas (thousand MT)				
		Republic of Armenia	Republic of Belarus	Republic of Kazakhstan	Kyrgyz Republic	Russian Federation
Meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled	0201 10 000 1, 0201 20 200 1, 0201 20 300 1, 0201 20 500 1, 0201 20 900 1, 0201 30 000 4	0.0	0.0	21	0.0	40
Meat of bovine animals, frozen	0202 10 000 1, 0202 20 100 1, 0202 20 300 1, 0202 20 500 1, 0202 20 900 1, 0202 30 100 4, 0202 30 500 4, 0202 30 900 4					530
Pork, fresh, chilled, and frozen	0203 11 100 1, 0203 11 900 1, 0203 12 110 1, 0203 12 190 1, 0203 12 900 1, 0203 19 110 1, 0203 19 130 1, 0203 19 150 1, 0203 19 550 1, 0203 19 590 1, 0203 19 900 1, 0203 21 100 1, 0203 21 900 1, 0203 22 110 1, 0203 22 190 1, 0203 22 900 1, 0203 29 110 1, 0203 29 130 1, 0203 29 150 1, 0203 29 550 1, 0203 29 590 1, 0203 29 900 1	0.0	20	0.0	3.5	400
Pork trimmings*	0203 29 550 2, 0203 29 900 2					30
Meat and edible byproducts of poultry under heading 0105,						

fresh, chilled, or frozen:						
Frozen bone-in chicken halves or quarters and frozen bone-in chicken legs and cuts thereof	0207 14 200 1, 0207 14 600 1	0.0	0.0	128	58.0	250
Deboned chicken meat, fresh or chilled	0207 13 100 1		10			0.0
Frozen deboned chicken meat	0207 14 100 1					100
Deboned turkey meat, fresh or chilled	0207 26 100 1		0.9			0.0
Frozen deboned turkey meat	0207 27 100 1					
Frozen cuts of bone-in turkey	0207 27 300 1, 0207 27 400 1, 0207 27 600 1, 0207 27 700 1		0.0			14.0
Meat and edible byproducts of poultry under heading 0105, fresh, chilled, or frozen, not specified above	0207 11 100 1, 0207 11 300 1, 0207 11 900 1, 0207 12 100 1, 0207 12 900 1, 0207 13 200 1, 0207 13 300 1, 0207 13 400 1, 0207 13 500 1, 0207 13 600 1, 0207 13 700 1, 0207 13 910 1, 0207 13 990 1, 0207 14 300 1, 0207 14 400 1, 0207 14 500 1, 0207 14 700 1, 0207 14 910 1, 0207 14 990 1, 0207 24 100 1, 0207 24 900 1, 0207 25 100 1, 0207 25 900 1, 0207 26 100 1, 0207 26 200 1, 0207 26 300 1,			0.0		12

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Certain types of whey and modified whey, in powder, granules, or other solid forms, not containing sugar or other sweetening matter	0404 10 120 1, 0404 10 160 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.0

* Pork trimmings can be imported both as part of the tariff-rate quota established for pork trimmings and the tariff-rate quota established for pork.

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