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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

7 CFR Part 6

Modification of the Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing for Certain Cheeses From Hungary

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends Import Regulation 1, Revision 8, to increase the tariff-rate quota (TRQ) allocation to Hungary for Swiss or Emmenthaler cheese to 800,000 kilograms, and to delete the TRQ allocation to Hungary for Italian-type cheese. The administrative action is taken pursuant to a modification of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS).

EFFECTIVE DATE: This amendment is effective February 2, 1998.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Import Regulation 1, Revision 8 (7 CFR 6.20-6.36 and the Appendices thereto) prescribes a system for licensing importation of certain articles of dairy products which are subject to TRQs under the HTS. Importers who hold licenses issued pursuant to Import Regulation 1 may enter these articles at the TRQ tariff rates. The Appendices to Import Regulation 1 identify the dairy articles that are subject to licensing. Import Regulation 1 also sets forth the TRQ quantities for each dairy article that may be entered under Appendix 1 (historical licenses), Appendix 2 (nonhistorical licenses), and Appendix 3 (designated importer licenses).

Under Appendix 3, the quantity for designated licenses for Italian-type cheese allocated to Hungary is 400,000

kilograms and the quantity for designated licenses for Swiss or Emmenthaler cheese allocated to Hungary is 400,000 kilograms. A **Federal Register** Notice issued by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (62 FR 66171-66172) modified additional U.S. notes 21 and 25 to chapter 4 of the HTS to delete the tariff-rate quota allocation of 400,000 kilograms to Hungary for Italian-type cheese and to increase the TRQ allocation to Hungary for Swiss or Emmenthaler cheese from 400,000 kilograms to 800,000 kilograms. Accordingly, Appendix 3 to Import Regulation 1 is being amended in accordance with these modifications to the HTS.

This regulation is being issued as a final rule since its only purpose is to amend Appendix 3 to make it conform to the modifications to the HTS.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 6

Agricultural commodities, Cheese, Dairy products, Imports, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Final Rule

Accordingly, 7 CFR part 6 is amended as follows:

PART 6—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Subpart—Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing continues to read as follows:

Authority: Additional U.S. notes 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 16-24 and 25 to Chapter 4 and General Note 15 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (19 U.S.C. 1202), Pub. L. 97-258, 96 Stat. 1051, as amended (31 U.S.C. 9701), and secs. 103 and 404, Pub. L. 103-465, 108 Stat. 4819 (19 U.S.C. 313 and 3610).

Appendix 3 [Amended]

2. Appendix 3 to Subpart—Dairy Tariff-Rate Import Quota Licensing is amended as follows:

a. Under the article description for "Italian-type cheeses * * * (Note 21)," "Hungary" is removed from the list of countries and the quantity "400,000" is removed on the same line.

b. Under the article description for "Swiss or Emmenthaler cheese with eye formation (Note 25)" on the line for Hungary, the quantity "400,000" is removed and the quantity "800,000" is added in its place.

Signed at Washington, DC, on January 16, 1998.

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Acting Administrator.

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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

12 CFR Part 615

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Funding and Fiscal Affairs, Loan Policies and Operations, and Funding Operations; Book-Entry Procedures for Farm Credit Securities; Effective Date

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

ACTION: Notice of effective date.

SUMMARY: The Farm Credit Administration (FCA) published a final rule under part 615 on October 14, 1997 (62 FR 53227). This final rule was adopted with minor technical changes to a previously adopted interim rule that revised procedures governing the issuance, maintenance, and transfer of Farm Credit securities on the book-entry system of the Federal Reserve Banks (Book-entry System). In accordance with 12 U.S.C. 2252, the effective date of the final rule is 30 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register** during which either or both Houses of Congress are in session. Based on the records of the sessions of Congress, the effective date of the regulations is January 27, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The technical amendments to 12 CFR part 615 published on October 14, 1997 (62 FR 53227) are effective January 27, 1998.

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(12 U.S.C. 2252(a) (9) and (10))

Dated: January 27, 1998.

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Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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