COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 1277/2011

of 8 December 2011

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:

- (1) 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 food incidents notified through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF), the findings of missions 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.
- (4) In particular, the list should be amended by deleting the entries for commodities for which those information sources indicate an overall satisfactory degree of compliance with the relevant safety requirements provided for in Union legislation and for which an increased level of official control is therefore no longer justified.

- (5) In addition, the list should be amended by decreasing the frequency of official controls of the commodities for which the information sources indicate an overall improvement of compliance with the relevant requirements provided for in Union legislation and for which the current level of official control is therefore no longer justified.
- (6) The entries in the list for certain imports from Argentina, the Dominican Republic, Egypt and India should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (7) In the interest of clarity of Union legislation, it is also necessary in the list to specify the entries for imports of fresh peppers from Thailand and feed additives and pre-mixtures from India, and to clarify the nature of peppers from the Dominican Republic, Egypt and Thailand
- (8) The amendment to the list concerning the deletion of the references to commodities, and the reduction in the frequency of controls, should apply as soon as possible, as the original safety concerns have been satisfied. Accordingly, those amendments should apply from the date of entry into force of this Regulation.
- (9) Taking into account the number of amendments that need to be made to Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009, it is appropriate to replace it by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.
- (10) Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (11) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 194, 25.7.2009, p. 11.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2012.

However, the amendments to the following entries in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 shall apply from the date of entry into force of this Regulation:

(a) The deletion of the following entries on:

- groundnuts (in shell or shelled), peanut butter and groundnuts otherwise prepared and preserved (food and feed) from Argentina;
- (ii) lauki (food) from the Dominican Republic;
- (iii) green beans (food) from Egypt;
- (b) the decrease in frequency of physical and identity checks for dried spices (food) from India.

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

Done at Brussels, 8 December 2011.

For the Commission
The President
José Manuel BARROSO

ANNEX

'ANNEX I

A. 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)	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)
Hazelnuts (in shell or shelled)	0802 21 00; 0802 22 00	Azerbaijan (AZ)	Aflatoxins	10
(Feed and 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)				
Dried Noodles	ex 1902	China (CN)	Aluminium	10
(Food)				
Pomelos (Food — fresh)	ex 0805 40 00	China (CN)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-MS or with single-residue methods (11)	20
Tea leaves (black and green) (Food)	0902	China (CN)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-MS or with single-residue methods (10)	10
Yardlong beans (Vigna unguiculata spp. sesquipedalis) Bitter melon (Momordica charantia)	- ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00 - ex 0709 99 90; ex 0710 80 95	Dominican Republic (DO)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC- MS or with single-residue methods (3)	50
— Peppers (sweet and other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	- 0709 60 10; ex 0709 60 99; 0710 80 51; ex 0710 80 59			
— Aubergines	— 0709 30 00; ex 0710 80 95			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)				

Feed and food (intended use)	CN code (¹)	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)
Oranges (fresh or dried)	— 0805 10 20; 0805 10 80	Egypt (EG)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-	10
 Peaches (excluding nectarines) 	— 0809 30 90		MS or with single-residue methods (7)	
— Pomegranates	— ex 0810 90 75			
— Strawberries	— 0810 10 00			
(Food — fresh fruits and vegetables)				
Peppers (sweet and other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	0709 60 10; ex 0709 60 99; 0710 80 51; ex 0710 80 59	Egypt (EG)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC- MS or with single-residue	10
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen)			methods (12)	
 Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell 	— 1202 41 00	Ghana (GH)	Aflatoxins	50
 Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled 	— 1202 42 00			
— Peanut butter	— 2008 11 10			
(Feed and Food)				
Curry leaves (Bergera/Murraya koenigii)	ex 1211 90 85	India (IN)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-	10
(Food — fresh herbs)			MS or with single residue methods (5)	
— Capsicum annuum, whole	— 0904 21 10	India (IN)	Aflatoxins	20
 Capsicum annuum, crushed or ground, 	— ex 0904 22 00			
— Curry (chilli products)	— 0910 91 05			
Nutmeg (Myristica fragrans)	- 0908 11 00, 0908 12 00			
— Mace (Myristica fragrans)	- 0908 21 00, 0908 22 00			
— Ginger (Zingiber officinale)	- 0910 11 00, 0910 12 00			
— Curcuma longa (turmeric)	— 0910 30 00			
(Food — dried spices) (13)				

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Groundnuts (peanuts),in shell	— 1202 41 00	India (IN)	Aflatoxins	20
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)				
Feed additives and premixtures (Feed)	ex 2309; 2917 19 90; ex 2817 00 00; ex 2820 90 10; ex 2820 90 90; ex 2821 10 00; ex 2825 50 00; ex 2833 21 00; ex 2833 25 00; ex 2833 29 20; ex 2833 29 80; ex 2835; ex 2836; ex 2839; 2936	India (IN)	Cadmium and lead	10
Okra (Food — fresh)	ex 0709 99 90	India (IN)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC- MS or with single-residue methods (2)	10
Watermelon (egusi, Citrullus lanatus) seeds and derived products	ex 1207 99 96; ex 1106 30 90; ex 2008 99 99	Nigeria (NG)	Aflatoxins	50
(Food)				
— Capsicum annuum, whole	— 0904 21 10	Peru (PE)	Aflatoxins and Ochratoxin	10
 Capsicum annuum, crushed or ground 	— ex 0904 22 00			
(Food — dried spice)				
Peppers (other than sweet) (Capsicum spp.)	ex 0709 60 99	Thailand (TH)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-	10
(Food — fresh)			MS or with single-residue methods (9)	
Coriander leaves	— ex 0709 99 90	Thailand (TH)	Salmonella (6)	10
— Basil (holy, sweet)	— ex 1211 90 85			
— Mint	— ex 1211 90 85			
(Food — fresh herbs)				

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— Coriander leaves	— ex 0709 99 90	Thailand (TH)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-	20
— Basil (holy, sweet) (Food — fresh herbs)	— ex 1211 90 85		MS or with single-residue methods (4)	
(rood — fresh herbs)				
 Yardlong beans (Vigna unguiculata spp. sesquipedalis) 	— ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	Thailand (TH)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC- MS or with single-residue	50
— Aubergines	- 0709 30 00; ex 0710 80 95		methods (4)	
— Brassica vegetables	— 0704; ex 0710 80 95			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)				
Sweet Peppers (Capsicum annuum)	- 0709 60 10; 0710 80 51	Turkey (TR)	Pesticide residues analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC- MS or with single-residue methods (8)	10
— Tomatoes	- 0702 00 00; 0710 80 70			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)				
Dried grapes (vine fruit)	0806 20	Uzbekistan (UZ)	Ochratoxin A	50
(Food)				
Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	— 1202 41 00	South Africa (ZA)	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)				
— Capsicum annuum, crushed or ground	— ex 0904 22 00	All third countries	Sudan dyes	10
— Curry (chilli products)	— 0910 91 05			
— Curcuma longa (turmeric)	— 0910 30 00			
(Food — dried spices)				

Feed and food (intended use)	CN code (¹)	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)
— Red palm oil	— ex 1511 10 90			
(Food)				

- (¹) Where only certain products under any CN code are required to be examined and no specific subdivision under that code exists in the goods nomenclature, the CN code is marked "ex" (for example, ex 1006 30: only Basmati rice for direct human consumption is included).
- (2) In particular residues of: Acephate, Methamidophos, Triazophos, Endosulfan, Monocrotophos.
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- (4) In particular residues of: Acephate, Carbaryl, Carbendazim, Carbofuran, Chlorpyriphos, Chlorpyriphos-methyl, Dimethoate, Ethion, Malathion, Metalaxyl, Methamidophos, Methomyl, Monocrotophos, Omethoate, Prophenophos, Prothiophos, Quinalphos, Triadimefon, Triazophos, Dicrotophos, EPN, Triforine.
- (5) In particular residues of: Triazophos, Oxydemeton-methyl, Chlorpyriphos, Acetamiprid, Thiamethoxam, Clothianidin, Methamidophos, Acephate, Propargite, Monocrotophos.
 (6) Reference method EN/ISO 6579 or a method validated against it as referred to in Article 5 of Commission Regulation (EC)
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- (7) In particular residues of: Carbendazim, Cyfluthrin Cyprodinil, Diazinon, Dimethoate, Ethion, Fenitrothion, Fenpropathrin, Fludioxonil, Hexaflumuron, Lambda-cyhalothrin, Methiocarb, Methomyl, Omethoate, Oxamyl, Phenthoate, Thiophanate-methyl.
- (8) In particular residues of: Methomyl, Oxamyl, Carbendazim, Clofentezine, Diafenthiuron, Dimethoate, Formetanate, Malathion, Procymidone, Tetradifon, Thiophanate-methyl.
- (9) In particular residues of: Carbofuran, Methomyl, Omethoate, Dimethoate, Triazophos, Malathion, Profenofos, Prothiofos, Ethion, Carbendazim, Triforine, Procymidone, Formetanate.
- (10) In particular residues of: Buprofezin; Imidacloprid; Fenvalerate and Esfenvalerate (Sum of RS & SR isomers); Profenofos; Trifluralin; Triazophos; Triadimefon and Triadimenol (sum of triadimefon and triadimenol), Cypermethrin (cypermethrin including other mixtures of constituent isomers (sum of isomers)).
- (11) In particular residues of: Triazofos, Triadimefon and Triadimenol (sum of triadimefon and triadimenol), Parathion-methyl, Fenthoate.
- (12) In particular residues of: Carbofuran (sum), Chlorpyrifos, Cypermethrin (sum), Cyproconazole, Dicofol (sum), Difenoconazole, Dinotefuran, Ethion, Flusilazole, Folpet, Prochloraz, Profenofos, Propiconazole, Thiophanate-methyl and Triforine.
- (13) The following CN codes are to be used between the entry into force of this legislation and its entry into application (1 January 2012):
 - Capsicum annuum, whole: 0904 20 10
 - Capsicum annuum, crushed or ground: ex 0904 20 90
 - Nutmeg (Myristica fragrans): 0908 10 00
 - Mace (Myristica fragrans): 0908 20 00
 - Ginger (Zingiber officinale): 0910 10 00.

B. **Definitions**

For the purposes of this Annex, "Sudan dyes" refers to the following chemical substances:

- (i) Sudan I (CAS Number 842-07-9);
- (ii) Sudan II (CAS Number 3118-97-6);
- (iii) Sudan III (CAS Number 85-86-9);
- (iv) Scarlet Red; or Sudan IV (CAS Number 85-83-6)."