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Proposal for a Council Decision

**on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Association
Committee in Trade configuration**

ATTACHMENT

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DECISION No .../... OF THE EU-MOLDOVA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE IN TRADE CONFIGURATION

of ... 20...

updating Annex XV to the Agreement

THE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE IN TRADE CONFIGURATION,

Having regard to the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part, signed in Brussels on 27 June 2014, and in particular Article 147(4) and (5), Article 148(5) and Article 438(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part ('the Agreement'), entered into force on 1 July 2016.
- (2) Following consultations, in accordance with Article 147 of the Agreement, the Republic of Moldova and the European Union have agreed, on a reciprocal basis, to increase the volume of some products subject to annual duty-free tariff rate quotas.
- (3) The European Union accepted to increase the volume of the tariff rate quotas ("TRQ") for goods originating in the Republic of Moldova for table grapes and plums, and to introduce a new tariff rate quota for cherries. The Republic of Moldova accepted to gradually increase the volume of the tariff rate quotas for goods originating in the European Union for the following products included in the Schedule of Concessions (Republic of Moldova): pork ("TRQ 1"), poultry ("TRQ 2"), dairy ("TRQ 3") and sugar ("TRQ 5").
- (4) Following a request made by the Republic of Moldova in accordance with Article 148 of this Agreement, the European Union has accepted to increase the trigger volume for wheat (flour and pellets), barley (flour and pellets), maize (flour and pellets) and cereal processed.
- (5) The Association Council, by Decision No 3/2014 of 16 December 2014, has delegated to the Association Committee in Trade configuration its powers to update or amend certain trade-related annexes.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

1. Annex XV-A to the Agreement shall be replaced by Annex 1 to this Decision.
2. In Annex XV-B, in the list of products subject to entry price, the line with CN code 2012 0809 29 00 and product description “Cherries (excl. sour cherries), fresh” shall be deleted.
3. In Annex XV-C, the trigger volumes for the following product categories shall be amended as follows:
 - (a) For the product category 6. Wheat, flour and pellets, in the column with title “Trigger volume (tonnes)”, the amount of “75 000” shall be replaced by the amount “150 000”;
 - (b) For the product category 7. Barley, flour and pellets, in the column with title “Trigger volume (tonnes)”, the amount of “70 000” shall be replaced by the amount “100 000”;
 - (c) For the product category 8. Maize, flour and pellets, in the column with title “Trigger volume (tonnes)”, the amount of “130 000” shall be replaced by the amount “250 000”; and
 - (d) For the product category 10. Cereal processed, in the column with title “Trigger volume (tonnes)”, the amount of “2 500” shall be replaced by the amount “5 000”.
4. In Annex XV-D, the Schedule of Concessions (Republic of Moldova), the fourth column with title “Category” shall be amended as follows:
 - (a) All references to “TRQ 1 (4 000 t)” shall be replaced by “TRQ 1 (4 500 t; for the year 2021: 5 000 t; and as of the year 2022: 5 500 t)”;
 - (b) All references to “TRQ 2 (4 000 t)” shall be replaced by “TRQ 2 (5 000 t; for the year 2021: 5 500 t; and as of the year 2022: 6 000 t)”;
 - (c) All references to “TRQ 3 (1 000 t)” shall be replaced by “TRQ 3 (1 500 t; and as of the year 2021: 2 000 t)”;
 - (d) All references to “TRQ 5 (5 400 t)” shall be replaced by “TRQ 5 (7 000 t; for the year 2021: 8 000 t; and as of the year 2022: 9 000 t)”.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done at ...,

For the Association Committee in Trade configuration

The Chair

UPDATE OF ANNEX XV-A TO THE ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

The text of Annex XV-A shall be replaced by the following text:

ANNEX XV-A**PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO ANNUAL DUTY-FREE TARIFF-RATE QUOTAS
(UNION)**

Order No	CN code 2012	Product description	Volume (tonnes)	Rate of duty
1	07020000	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled	2 000	free
2	07032000	Garlic, fresh or chilled	220	free
3	08061010	Table grapes, fresh	20 000	free
4	08081080	Apples, fresh (excl. cider apples, in bulk, from 16 September to 15 December)	40 000	free
5	08092900	Cherries (excl. sour cherries), fresh	1 500	free
6	08094005	Plums, fresh	15 000	free
7	20096110	Grape juice, incl. grape must, unfermented, Brix value \leq 30 at 20°C, value of > EUR 18 per 100 kg, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter (excl. containing spirit)	500	free

Order No	CN code 2012	Product description	Volume (tonnes)	Rate of duty
	20096919	Grape juice, incl. grape must, unfermented, Brix value > 67 at 20°C, value of > EUR 22 per 100 kg, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter (excl. containing spirit)		
	20096951	Concentrated grape juice, incl. grape must, unfermented, Brix value > 30 but <= 67 at 20°C, value of > EUR 18 per 100 kg, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter (excl. containing spirit)		
	20096959	Grape juice, incl. grape must, unfermented, Brix value > 30 but <= 67 at 20°C, value of > EUR 18 per 100 kg, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter (excl. concentrated or containing spirit)		