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on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council
laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the
Union

Proposal for a regulation – amending act
(COM(2010)0498 – C7-0284/2010 – 2010/0256(COD))

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Amendment 5

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5) In keeping with the principle of subsidiarity and in order to ensure flexibility, two principles which form the basis of the programming approach adopted for the scheme promoting the Union's outermost regions, the authorities appointed by the Member State may propose amendments to the programme to bring it into line with the reality of the situation in the outermost regions. Also in keeping with this approach, the procedure for amending the programmes must be adapted to reflect the level of relevance of each type of amendment.

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Or. nl

Amendment 6

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(6) In order to ensure the supply of essential agricultural products to the outermost regions and to compensate for the additional costs caused by their extreme remoteness, it is appropriate to introduce a specific supply arrangement. In fact, the exceptional geographical situation of the outermost regions imposes additional transport costs in supplying products which are essential for human consumption, for processing or as agricultural inputs. In addition, other

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objective factors linked to these regions' extreme remoteness, namely their insularity and small surface areas, lead to further constraints on economic operators and producers in the outermost regions that severely handicap their activities. These handicaps can be alleviated by lowering the price of these essential products.

Or. nl

Amendment 7
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) To that end, notwithstanding Article 28 of the Treaty, imports of certain agricultural products from third countries should be exempt from the applicable import duties. To take account of their origin and the customs treatment accorded to them under European Union law, products which have entered the Union's customs territory under inward processing or customs warehousing arrangements **should** be considered as direct imports, for the purpose of granting the benefits of the specific supply arrangements.

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 8
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(8) In order to achieve in an effective manner the lowering of prices in the outermost regions and mitigating the additional costs of their extreme remoteness, all the while maintaining the competitiveness of EU products, aid should be granted for the supply of Community products to the outermost regions. Such aid should take account of the additional cost of transport to these regions and the cost of exports to third countries and, in the case of agricultural inputs and products intended for processing, the additional costs of their extreme remoteness, specifically insularity and small surface areas.

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Or. nl

**Amendment 9
Lucas Hartong**

**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11) Given the requirements relating to the monitoring of transactions benefiting from the specific supply arrangements, administrative checks must be conducted on the products concerned at the time of their import or entry into the outermost regions and also at the time of their export or dispatch from the same. In addition, in order to achieve the objectives of the arrangements, the economic advantages of the specific supply arrangements must be in terms of production costs and must reduce prices up to the end user stage. They should therefore be granted only on condition that they are actually passed on, and

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appropriate checks must be carried out.

Or. nl

Amendment 10

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

(12) Since the quantities covered by the specific supply arrangements are limited to the supply requirements of the outermost regions, this system does not impair the proper functioning of the internal market. Nor should the economic advantages of the specific supply arrangements provoke diversions of trade in the products concerned. Dispatching or exportation of those products from the outermost regions should therefore be prohibited.

Nevertheless, the dispatch or export of these products must be authorised if the financial advantage resulting from the specific supply arrangements is reimbursed.

Amendment

(12) Since the quantities covered by the specific supply arrangements are limited to the supply requirements of the outermost regions, this system **possibly** does not impair the proper functioning of the internal market. Nor should the economic advantages of the specific supply arrangements provoke diversions of trade in the products concerned. Dispatching or exportation of those products from the outermost regions should therefore be prohibited.

Or. nl

Amendment 11

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) However, appropriate measures **should** be taken to allow for the necessary restructuring of the sugar processing sector in the Azores. These measures should take into account that in order for the sugar

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sector on the Azores to be viable, a certain level of production and processing needs to be ensured. *Against this background, dispatches of sugar from the Azores to the rest of the Union should be allowed exceptionally to exceed traditional flows for a limited period of five years, subject to progressively reduced annual limits.* Given that the quantities that may be re-dispatched will be proportional and limited to the extent strictly necessary for ensuring the viability of local sugar production and processing, such temporary dispatching of sugar from the Azores **will** not adversely affect the internal market of the Union.

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Or. nl

Amendment 12
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) With regard to out-of-quota sugar to be supplied to the Azores, Madeira and the Canary Islands, the scheme of exemption from import duties will continue to apply. In particular, the Azores should be also authorised to benefit from the exemption from import duties for raw cane sugar within the limit of their forecast supply balance.

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 13
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(16) To date the Canary Islands have been supplied under the specific supply arrangements for skimmed milk powder containing vegetable fat with CN code 1901 90 99 for industrial processing. The continued supply of this product, which has become a traditional component of the local diet, should be permitted. ***deleted***

Or. nl

Amendment 14
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17) Given that rice constitutes a staple of the diet of Réunion, and since the island does not produce sufficient quantities to meet local requirements, the import of this product to the island should continue to be exempt from any form of import tax. ***deleted***

Or. nl

Amendment 15
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(18) European Union policy to assist local production in the outermost regions has involved a multitude of products and measures for their production, marketing or processing. These measures have proved

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effective *and ensured that agriculture continues and develops*. The EU should continue to support these lines of production, which are a key element to ensure the environmental, social and economic equilibrium of the outermost regions. *Experience has shown that, as in the case of rural development policy, a closer partnership with local authorities can help to address the particular issues affecting the regions concerned in a more targeted way. Support to promote local production therefore needs to continue by means of the POSEI programmes.*

proved effective. The EU should *not* continue to support these lines of production, which are a key element to ensure the environmental, social and economic equilibrium of the outermost regions.

Or. nl

Amendment 16
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 19

Text proposed by the Commission

(19) In order to support the marketing of products from the outermost regions, *aid should be established to assist commercialisation of these* products outside of the region in which they are produced.

Amendment

(19) In order to support the marketing of products from the outermost regions, *the regions should be encouraged to market their* products outside of the region in which they are produced. *However, this is a task for the regions themselves.*

Or. nl

Amendment 17
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

(20) The minimum elements which must be provided under the POSEI

Amendment

deleted

programmes in order to establish the measures supporting local agricultural production, specifically the description of location, the strategy proposed, the objectives and measures, should be established. The principles where these measures are consistent with other EU policies should also be stipulated, in order to avoid any incompatibility and overlapping of aid.

Or. nl

Amendment 18
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(21) In order to ensure that it can be implemented, the POSEI programme may also contain measures for financing studies, demonstration projects, training and technical assistance.

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Or. nl

Amendment 19
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 23

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(23) The structures of certain farms or processing and marketing firms in the outermost regions are seriously defective and face specific difficulties. *Articles 26(2) and 28(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the*

(23) The structures of certain farms or processing and marketing firms in the outermost regions are seriously defective and face specific difficulties.

European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) therefore provide for more favourable support rates for certain types of investment in the outermost regions.

Or. nl

Amendment 20
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 25

Text proposed by the Commission

(25) Article 39(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and Annex I thereto determine the maximum annual amounts eligible for agri-environmental payments. *To take into account the specific environmental situation of certain very sensitive pasture areas in the Azores and the preservation of the landscape and traditional features of agricultural land, in particular the areas of terrace cultivation in Madeira, provision should be made for the possibility, in the case of certain specific measures, of increasing those amounts up to twofold.*

Amendment

(25) Article 39(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and Annex I thereto determine the maximum annual amounts eligible for agri-environmental payments. *These amounts should on no account be exceeded, in view of the EU's desire to cut back heavily on agricultural expenditure. Furthermore, in line with the subsidiarity principle, any aid accorded is a matter between the peripheral regions and the national authorities within whose responsibility they fall.*

Or. nl

Amendment 21
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

(26) A derogation may be granted from the Commission's consistent policy of not authorising State operating aid for the

Amendment

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production, processing and marketing of agricultural products covered by Annex I to the Treaty, in order to mitigate the specific constraints on farming in the outermost regions linked to their extreme remoteness, specifically their isolation, insularity, small surface areas, mountainous terrain and climate and their economic dependency on a small number of products.

Or. nl

Amendment 22
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(28) The maintenance of vineyards, which are the most widespread type of cultivation in the regions of Madeira and the Canary islands and a very important one for the Azores, is an economic and environmental imperative. To help support production, neither the abandonment premiums nor the market mechanisms provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 should be applicable in these regions, but nonetheless, in the Canary Islands, it should be possible to apply crisis distillation measures in the event of exceptional market disturbance arising from quality problems. Similarly, technical and socio-economic difficulties have prevented complete conversion, within the time limits established, of the areas in the regions of Madeira and the Azores under vines of hybrid varieties prohibited by Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007. The wine produced by such vineyards is intended solely for traditional local consumption.

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Amendment 23
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 29

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(29) The restructuring of the milk sector is not yet complete in the Azores. In line with the high dependence of the Azores on milk production, combined with other handicaps connected with their extreme remoteness and the absence of profitable alternative lines of production, the derogation from certain provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 concerning surplus levies on milk and milk products should be maintained.

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Amendment 24
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 31

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(31) The need to maintain local milk production by means of incentives justifies not applying Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 in the French overseas departments and Madeira. This exemption should apply to Madeira subject to a limit of 4 000 tonnes.

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Amendment 25
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 32

Text proposed by the Commission

(32) Traditional livestock farming activities should be supported. ***In order to meet the local consumption needs of the French overseas departments and Madeira, duty-free imports from third countries of male bovine animals intended for fattening should be authorised subject to certain conditions and up to a maximum annual limit.***

Amendment

(32) Traditional livestock farming activities should be supported ***by the authorities of the Member States within whose responsibility the peripheral areas in question fall.***

Or. nl

Amendment 26
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 33

Text proposed by the Commission

(33) ***The possibility opened under Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 of 19 January 2009 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers to enable Portugal to transfer rights to the suckler cow premium from the mainland to the Azores should be renewed and that instrument should be adjusted in the light of the support arrangements for the outermost regions.***

Amendment

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⁸. *OJ L 30, 31.01.09, p. 16.*

Or. nl

Amendment 27
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 34

Text proposed by the Commission

(34) Tobacco growing is of historical importance in the Canary Islands. Economically speaking, tobacco preparation continues to be one of the chief industrial activities in the region. In social terms, tobacco cultivation is very labour-intensive and carried out by small farms. Since the crop is not sufficiently profitable, however, it is in danger of dying out. ***Tobacco is currently cultivated on only a small area on the island of La Palma, for the small-scale manufacture of cigars. Spain should therefore be authorised to continue to grant aid, in addition to EU aid, so that this traditional crop can be maintained with a view to supporting the artisanal activity associated with it. In addition, to maintain the manufacture of tobacco products, imports into the Canary Islands of raw and semi-manufactured tobacco should continue to be exempt from customs duty, up to an annual limit of 20 000 tonnes of stripped raw tobacco equivalent.***

Amendment

(34) Tobacco growing is of historical importance in the Canary Islands. Economically speaking, tobacco preparation continues to be one of the chief industrial activities in the region. In social terms, tobacco cultivation is very labour-intensive and carried out by small farms. Since the crop is not sufficiently profitable, however, it is in danger of dying out. ***The EU has no intention of granting aid to undertakings that are clearly not profitable except with EU aid. EU aid is not intended to be a covert form of state aid to maintain p unfair competition. To maintain the manufacture of tobacco products, the producers may if they will approach the national authorities.***

Or. nl

Amendment 28
Rolandas Paksas

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 34 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(34a) Funding for the banana sector

should be increased in the context of specific measures to assist remote and island regions (POSEI) in order to mitigate the negative effects on EU producers' incomes of the forthcoming reduction in customs duties on imports of bananas into the EU; attention is drawn to the fact that the Geneva multilateral agreement on trade in bananas set a reduced import tariff, which had a negative impact on EU producers' incomes, and there are also plans to apply a reduced rate when drawing up subsequent agreements;

Or. It

Amendment 29
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 35

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(35) Implementation of this Regulation must not jeopardise the level of special support from which the outermost regions have benefited up to now. For that reason, so that they can implement the appropriate measures, the Member States should have at their disposal sums equivalent to the support already granted by the Community under Regulation (EC) No 247/2006.

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Or. nl

Amendment 30
Estelle Grelrier

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 35

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(35) Implementation of this Regulation must not jeopardise the level of special support from which the outermost regions have benefited up to now. For that reason, so that they can implement the appropriate measures, the Member States should have at their disposal sums equivalent to the support already granted by the Community under Regulation (EC) No 247/2006.

(35) In order to ensure that the objectives of this Regulation, in particular the safeguarding and development of agricultural activities in the outermost regions, are met, the sums equivalent to the support already granted by the Union to these regions under Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 should be reviewed.

Or. fr

Amendment 31

Estelle Grelier

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 35 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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(35a) Successive reductions in the single tariff set for banana imports pose periodic threats to the profitability of banana production in the outermost regions. There is therefore an ongoing need to assess the impact of tariff concessions granted by the European Union in order to determine whether the aid granted to EU producers should be reviewed.

Or. fr

Amendment 32

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 36

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(36) Since 2006, requirements in essential products have increased in some outermost regions, particularly in the Azores and in the French overseas departments, as a result of the increasing livestock population and demographic pressure. The proportion of the budget which Member States may use for the specific supply arrangements for the regions concerned should therefore be increased.

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Or. nl

Amendment 33
Estelle Grelier

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 36

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(36) Since 2006, requirements in essential products have increased in some outermost regions, particularly in the Azores and in the French overseas departments, as a result of the increasing livestock population and demographic pressure. The proportion of the budget which Member States may use for the specific supply arrangements for the regions concerned should therefore be increased.

(36) Since 2006, requirements in essential products have increased in some outermost regions, particularly in the Azores and in the French overseas departments, as a result of the increasing livestock population and demographic pressure. The ***annual budgetary allocation for the POSEI programmes and the*** proportion of the budget which Member States may use for the specific supply arrangements for the regions concerned should therefore be increased.

Or. fr

Amendment 34
Rolandas Paksas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 18 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

e) conditions for the granting of aid, the products and volumes concerned;

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Or. It

Amendment 35
Rolandas Paksas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 18 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

d) ceiling.

deleted

Or. It

Amendment 36
Rolandas Paksas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 21 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Notwithstanding Article 39(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005, the maximum annual amounts eligible for European Union aid, as set out in Annex I to that Regulation, may be increased up to twofold in the case of the measure to protect lakes in the Azores and the measure to preserve the landscape and traditional features of agricultural land and the conservation of stone walls ***supporting terraces in Madeira.***

1. Notwithstanding Article 39(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005, the maximum annual amounts eligible for European Union aid, as set out in Annex I to that Regulation, may be increased up to twofold in the case of the measure to protect lakes in the Azores and the measure to preserve the landscape and traditional features of agricultural land and the conservation of stone walls ***in the outermost regions.***

Or. It

Amendment 37
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 22

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

State aid

deleted

1. For the agricultural products covered by Annex I to the Treaty, to which Articles 107, 108 and 109 thereof apply, the Commission may authorise, in accordance with Article 108 of the Treaty, operating aid in the sectors producing, processing and marketing those products, with a view to mitigating the specific constraints on farming in the outermost regions as a result of their isolation, insularity and extreme remoteness.

2. Member States may agree additional financing for the implementation of POSEI programmes. In such cases the State aid must be notified by the Member States to the Commission and approved in accordance with this Regulation as part of those programmes. Aid thus notified shall be regarded as notified within the meaning of the first sentence of Article 108(3) of the Treaty.

3. France may grant the sugar sector in the French outermost regions aid of up to EUR 90 million per marketing year.

France shall inform the Commission within 30 days of the end of each marketing year of the amount of aid actually granted.

4. Without prejudice to paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article and by way of derogation from the first subparagraph of Article 180 of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 and Article 3 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1184/2006, Articles 107, 108 and 109 of the Treaty shall not apply to payments

made under Title IV, paragraph 3 of this Article and Articles 23 and 27 of this Regulation by Member States in conformity with this Regulation.

¹¹. *OJ L 214, 04.08.06, p. 7.*

Or. nl

Amendment 38
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 22 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. For the agricultural products covered by Annex I to the Treaty, to which Articles 107, 108 and 109 thereof apply, the Commission may authorise, in accordance with Article 108 of the Treaty, operating aid in the sectors producing, processing and marketing those products, with a view to mitigating the specific constraints on farming in the outermost regions as a result of their isolation, insularity and extreme remoteness.

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Or. nl

Amendment 39
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 22 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 40
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 22 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

France may grant the sugar sector in the French outermost regions aid of up to EUR 90 million per marketing year. *deleted*

Or. nl

Amendment 41
Rolandas Paksas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 22 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. State aid may be granted to major firms established in the outermost regions for the conclusion of agricultural insurance contracts.

Or. lt

Amendment 42
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 27

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

State aid for tobacco production

deleted

Spain is authorised to award aid concerning the production of tobacco in the Canary Islands. The granting of this aid may not result in discrimination between producers in the islands.

The amount of the aid may not exceed EUR 2 980.62 per tonne. The additional aid shall be granted for up to 10 tonnes each year.

Or. nl

Amendment 43

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Exemption of tobacco from customs duties

deleted

1. No customs duties shall be applied to direct imports into the Canary Islands of raw and semi-manufactured tobacco falling, respectively, within:

a) CN code 2401; and

b) the following subheadings:

– 2401 10 Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped,

– 2401 20 Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped,

– ex 2401 20 Outer coverings for cigars presented on supports, in reels for the manufacture of tobacco,

– 2401 30 Tobacco waste,

– ex 2402 10 Unfinished cigars without wrapping,

- *ex 2403 10 Cigarette rag (finished mixtures of tobacco for the manufacture of cigarettes, cigars, cheroots and cigarillos),*
- *ex 2403 91 Homogenised or reconstituted tobacco, whether or not put up in sheets or strips,*
- *ex 2403 99 Expanded tobacco.*

The exemption provided for in the first subparagraph is granted by means of the certificates referred to in Article 11.

This exemption applies to the products referred to in the first subparagraph, meant to be processed in the Canary Islands in order to produce manufactured products ready for smoking, subject to an annual import limit of 20 000 tonnes of raw stripped tobacco equivalent.

2. The Commission shall adopt by means of an implementing act the measures necessary to implement paragraph 1 and more specifically the measures for introducing the exemption from import duties in respect of tobacco in the Canary Islands.

Or. nl

Amendment 44
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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a) CN code 2401; and

b) the following subheadings:

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- 2401 20 Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped,
- ex 2401 20 Outer coverings for cigars presented on supports, in reels for the manufacture of tobacco,
- 2401 30 Tobacco waste,
- ex 2402 10 Unfinished cigars without wrapping,
- ex 2403 10 Cigarette rag (finished mixtures of tobacco for the manufacture of cigarettes, cigars, cheroots and cigarillos),
- ex 2403 91 Homogenised or reconstituted tobacco, whether or not put up in sheets or strips,
- ex 2403 99 Expanded tobacco.

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This exemption applies to the products referred to in the first subparagraph, meant to be processed in the Canary Islands in order to produce manufactured products ready for smoking, subject to an annual import limit of 20 000 tonnes of raw stripped tobacco equivalent.

Or. nl

Amendment 45 **Lucas Hartong**

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No customs duties shall be applied to direct imports into the Canary Islands of raw and semi-manufactured tobacco falling, respectively, within:

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- b) the following subheadings:*
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 - 2401 30 Tobacco waste,*
 - ex 2402 10 Unfinished cigars without wrapping,*
 - ex 2403 10 Cigarette rag (finished mixtures of tobacco for the manufacture of cigarettes, cigars, cheroots and cigarillos),*
 - ex 2403 91 Homogenised or reconstituted tobacco, whether or not put up in sheets or strips,*
 - ex 2403 99 Expanded tobacco.*

Or. nl

Amendment 46
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

a) CN code 2401; and *deleted*

Or. nl

Amendment 47
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

b) the following subheadings: ***deleted***

- 2401 10 Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped,***
- 2401 20 Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped,***
- ex 2401 20 Outer coverings for cigars presented on supports, in reels for the manufacture of tobacco,***
- 2401 30 Tobacco waste,***
- ex 2402 10 Unfinished cigars without wrapping,***
- ex 2403 10 Cigarette rag (finished mixtures of tobacco for the manufacture of cigarettes, cigars, cheroots and cigarillos),***
- ex 2403 91 Homogenised or reconstituted tobacco, whether or not put up in sheets or strips,***
- ex 2403 99 Expanded tobacco.***

Or. nl

Amendment 48
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– 2401 10 Tobacco, not stemmed/stripped, ***deleted***

Or. nl

Amendment 49
Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– 2401 20 Tobacco, partly or wholly
stemmed/stripped, *deleted*

Or. nl

Amendment 50

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– ex 2401 20 Outer coverings for cigars
presented on supports, in reels for the
manufacture of tobacco, *deleted*

Or. nl

Amendment 51

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– 2401 30 Tobacco waste, *deleted*

Or. nl

Amendment 52

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– ex 2402 10 Unfinished cigars without wrapping, **deleted**

Or. nl

Amendment 53

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– ex 2403 10 Cigarette rag (finished mixtures of tobacco for the manufacture of cigarettes, cigars, cheroots and cigarillos), **deleted**

Or. nl

Amendment 54

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– ex 2403 91 Homogenised or reconstituted tobacco, whether or not put up in sheets or strips, **deleted**

Or. nl

Amendment 55

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b – indent 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– *ex 2403 99 Expanded tobacco.*

deleted

Or. nl

Amendment 56

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

This exemption applies to the products referred to in the first subparagraph, meant to be processed in the Canary Islands in order to produce manufactured products ready for smoking, subject to an annual import limit of 20 000 tonnes of raw stripped tobacco equivalent.

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Or. nl

Amendment 57

Lucas Hartong

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. The Commission shall adopt by means of an implementing act the measures necessary to implement paragraph 1 and more specifically the measures for introducing the exemption from import duties in respect of tobacco in the Canary Islands.

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Or. nl

Amendment 58
Estelle Grelier

Proposal for a regulation
Article 29 - paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Once the territory of Mayotte has acquired outermost region status, the Commission shall put forward a new proposal which seeks to increase proportionally the budget earmarked for the overseas departments, in order to take account of Mayotte's new status, and to incorporate specific provisions concerning Mayotte.

Or. fr

Amendment 59
Estelle Grelier

Proposal for a regulation
Article 29 - paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. The Commission shall submit a report to Parliament and the Council assessing the impact that any new tariff concessions for imports of bananas into the European Union will have on producers' incomes. That report shall be accompanied, where necessary, by a legislative proposal on the adjustment of the sums laid down in paragraph 2 with the aim of offsetting the losses of income suffered by European producers.

Or. fr