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**COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2023/2777  
of 3 October 2023**

**amending the Annex to Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the application of Union tariff rate quotas and other import quotas to certain steel products transferred to Northern Ireland**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2020 on the application of Union tariff rate quotas and other import quotas <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 1a, and Article 1b thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Annex to Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 contains a list of goods originating in the United Kingdom and being subject to safeguard measures under Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/159 <sup>(2)</sup> that are brought into Northern Ireland by direct transport from other parts of the United Kingdom and shall be eligible for treatment pursuant to Union import tariff rate quotas if those goods are released for free circulation in the territory of Northern Ireland.
- (2) As set out in recital (4) of Regulation (EU) 2023/1321 of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(3)</sup>, the United Kingdom had provided evidence showing that certain steel products originating in the United Kingdom that are currently subject to safeguard measures under Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/159 ('the products concerned') had been transferred in significant quantities to Northern Ireland from other parts of the United Kingdom. In order to ensure the economic viability of those transfers, and in view of the specific circumstances in Northern Ireland, it was considered appropriate to allow for the products concerned to also benefit from the relevant Union tariff rate quotas when they are released for free circulation in Northern Ireland.
- (3) Subsequent to the adoption of Regulation (EU) 2023/1321, the United Kingdom has provided evidence similar to the evidence mentioned under recital (2) above, showing that five additional categories of the products concerned have also been transferred in significant quantities to Northern Ireland from other parts of the United Kingdom. The United Kingdom has therefore asked that these five categories of the products concerned be also eligible for treatment pursuant to Union import tariff rate quotas if they are released for free circulation in the territory of Northern Ireland.
- (4) The Commission has examined whether, in order to ensure the economic viability of those transfers, and in view of the specific circumstances in Northern Ireland, it is appropriate to allow for these five additional categories of the products concerned to also benefit from the relevant Union tariff rate quotas when they are released for free circulation in Northern Ireland.
- (5) The Commission is satisfied that the evidence provided by the United Kingdom demonstrates that there is a need for these five categories of the products concerned to be released for free circulation in Northern Ireland,
- (6) The Annex to Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 should therefore be amended,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 432, 21.12.2020, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/159 of 31 January 2019 imposing definitive safeguard measures against imports of certain steel products (OJ L 31, 1.2.2019, p. 27).

<sup>(3)</sup> Regulation (EU) 2023/1321 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2023, amending Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 on the application of Union tariff rate quotas and other import quotas (OJ L 166, 30.6.2023, p. 1).

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The Annex to Regulation (EU) 2020/2170 is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2024.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 October 2023.

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

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| <b>Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ)<br/>Description</b> | <b>Combined Nomenclature (CN) Codes <sup>(1)</sup></b>                                                                                                                                                                             |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Steel category 7                               | 7208 51 20, 7208 51 91, 7208 51 98, 7208 52 91, 7208 90 20, 7208 90 80, 7210 90 30, 7225 40 12, 7225 40 40, 7225 40 60, 7225 99 00                                                                                                 |
| Steel category 8                               | 7219 11 00, 7219 12 10, 7219 12 90, 7219 13 10, 7219 13 90, 7219 14 10, 7219 14 90, 7219 22 10, 7219 22 90, 7219 23 00, 7219 24 00, 7220 11 00, 7220 12 00                                                                         |
| Steel category 9                               | 7219 31 00, 7219 32 10, 7219 32 90, 7219 33 10, 7219 33 90, 7219 34 10, 7219 34 90, 7219 35 10, 7219 35 90, 7219 90 20, 7219 90 80, 7220 20 21, 7220 20 29, 7220 20 41, 7220 20 49, 7220 20 81, 7220 20 89, 7220 90 20, 7220 90 80 |
| Steel category 13                              | 7214 20 00, 7214 99 10                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Steel category 17                              | 7216 31 10, 7216 31 90, 7216 32 11, 7216 32 19, 7216 32 91, 7216 32 99, 7216 33 10, 7216 33 90                                                                                                                                     |
| Steel category 25A                             | 7305 11 00, 7305 12 00                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Steel category 28                              | 7217 10 10, 7217 10 31, 7217 10 39, 7217 10 50, 7217 10 90, 7217 20 10, 7217 20 30, 7217 20 50, 7217 20 90, 7217 30 41, 7217 30 49, 7217 30 50, 7217 30 90, 7217 90 20, 7217 90 50, 7217 90 90                                     |

(<sup>1</sup>) As defined in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1).’