Bananas: common organisation of the market CMO, import system (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 404/93)

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PURPOSE: to amend the existing Regulation on the common organisation of the market in bananas. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation 216/2001/EC of 29 January 2001 amending Regulation 404/93/EC on the common organisation of the market in bananas. CONTENT: This Regulation seeks to settle the disputes arising from the import regime established by Regulation 404/93/EC and to take account of the conclusions of the special group set up under the dispute settlement system of the World Trade Organisation (WTO). Until the entry into force of a regime, the Community should be supplied under several tariff quotas open to imports from all origins and managed in line with the recommendatons made by the dispute settlement body. The Regulation forsees that each year from 1 January, the followiing tariff quotas shall be opened: - a tariff quota of 2 200 000 tonnes net weight, called 'quota A'; - an additional tariff quota of 353 000 tonnes net weight, called 'quota B'; - an autonomus tariff of 850 000 tonnes net weight, called 'quota C'. These tariffs shall be open for imports of products originating in all third countries. Imports under tariff quotas 'A' and 'B' shall be subject to customs duty of EUR 75 per tonne. Imports under tariff quota 'C' shall be subject to a customs duty of EUR 100 per tonne. A tariff preference of EUR 300 per tonne shall apply to imports originating in ACP countries both under and outside the tariff quotas. Finally, bananas re-exported from the Community shall not be counted against the corresponding tariff quotas. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 05.02.2001.