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### New Dairy Products on Intervention List

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**Report Highlights:**

The Russian Government's Resolution #821 of October 17, 2009, added butter, fluid milk, and three types of cheeses to the list of agricultural products for which state procurement and commodity interventions may be implemented. The previous list included grains and dry milk. So far only grains have been purchased and sold in course of state interventions.

## **General Information:**

On October 17, 2009, the Russian Government (GOR) issued Resolution #821 "On Amendments to the List of Agricultural Commodities for Which State Procurement and Commodity Interventions may be Implemented". The Resolution added creamy milk, sterilized drinking milk and three types of cheeses to the list of agricultural commodities which the authorized state agent can purchase (procurement interventions) to the state intervention fund or sell (commodity interventions) from this intervention fund on tender terms.

The idea of state interventions for regulation of agricultural and food markets was first outlined in the Government Resolution #580 of August 3, 2001. The list of approved commodities for interventions originally included grains. The GOR Resolution #959 of December 16, 2008, added dry milk to the list of intervention commodities (GAIN RS8098 \_ Dairy and Products \_ *Dry Milk State Interventions will be Implemented in 2009*). However, only grains have been purchased and sold from the state intervention stocks so far. For more information on grain interventions, see numerous Post GAIN reports in Grain and Feeds category. As for milk and dairy products, there is no information that the Ministry of Agriculture has developed the mechanism for these interventions or agreed upon the procurement prices.

Original text of the Resolution is on the web-site:

<http://www.government.ru/content/governmentactivity/rfgovernmentdecisions/archive/2009/10/17/1203272.htm>

Unofficial translation of the Resolution:

Resolution #821 of October 17, 2009 On Amendments to the List of Agricultural Commodities for Which State Procurement and Commodity Interventions May be Implemented

The Government of the Russian Federation decrees:

To add to the list of agricultural commodities for which the state procurement and commodity interventions may be implemented, approved by the Resolution of the Russian Government #959 of December 16, 2009, "On the list of types of agricultural products for which state purchasing and commodity interventions may be implemented" (Collection of Laws of the Russian Federation, 2008, #51, article 6180), the following categories:

Butter	92 2110
Milk, fluid, sterilized	92 2217
Cheeses (including high-fat, medium-fat, low-fat), semi-hard	92 2512
Cheeses (including high-fat, medium-fat, low-fat), hard	92 2513
Cheeses (including high-fat, medium-fat, low-fat), super-hard	92 2514

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Note: codes of products categories are codes from the All-Russian Classification of Products. The All-Russian Classification of Products is on the web-site:

<http://www.bestpravo.ru/fed1993/data01/tex10023.htm>