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Russia Announces Ban on Many US Agricultural Products

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Report Highlights:

On August 6, 2014, Russian President Vladimir Putin signed a decree banning a list of agricultural products from the United States, Canada, European Union, Australia, and Norway as a result of the implementation of economic sanctions against Russia due to events in the region. The ban takes place immediately, according to the decree, and will be valid for 1 calendar year. The list of agricultural products include beef, pork, poultry, fruits, vegetables, fish, seafood, cheese, milk and a variety of other products.

General Information:

On August 6, 2014, Russian President Vladimir Putin signed Executive Order 560 “On implementation of special economic measures to protect national interests,” which will temporarily restrict (i.e. ban) for a period of one year the import into Russia of specific agricultural products originating from countries that applied economic sanctions against Russia. On August 7, the list of banned products and countries was released. The countries affected are the United States, European Union, Canada, Australia, and Norway. The list of agricultural products include beef, pork, poultry, fruits, vegetables, fish, seafood, cheese, milk and a variety of other products.

Below is a courtesy (unofficial) translation of the decree signed by Russian President Vladimir Putin and list of agricultural included in the ban. The original Russian version can be found online at <http://government.ru/docs/14195>.

BEGIN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION:

On the measures for implementation of the Decree of the President of the Russian Federation of August 6, 2014 #560 “About the application of certain special economic measures in order to protect the national security of the Russian Federation”

In order to implement the Decree of the President of the Russian Federation of August 6, 2014 #560 “About the application of certain special economic measures in order to protect national security of the Russian Federation”, the Government of the Russian Federation orders:

1. Impose for a term of one year a prohibition on the import to the Russian Federation of the agricultural products, raw materials and food, which originate from the United States of America, European Union countries, Canada, Australia, and Norway Kingdom according to the attached list.
2. Federal Customs Service to provide control over the implementation of the paragraph 1 of this regulation.
3. The Governmental Committee for Monitoring and Operational Response to the Changes of the Conjuncture of the Food Markets, together with the highest bodies of executive authorities of the subjects of the Russian Federation, to provide balance in the food market and prevent escalation of prices of agricultural products, raw materials and food.
4. Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation, Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation together with the highest bodies of executive authorities of the subjects of the Russian Federation to organize conduct daily operational monitoring and control over the status of the relevant markets of agricultural products, raw materials and food.
5. Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation, together with the interested federal bodies of the executive authorities, and with participation of the associations of manufacturers of agricultural products, raw materials and food, to develop and implement complex measures aimed to increase the supply of agricultural products, raw materials and food in order to prevent the escalation of prices.
6. Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation, Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian

Federation, Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation and the Federal Antitrust Service, with participation of associations of retail trader networks and trade organizations to provide coordination of the work aimed at preventing escalation of prices.

7. The present regulation comes into force on the day of its official publication.

Head of the Government of the Russian Federation

D. Medvedev

Agricultural products, raw materials and food, originating from the United States of America, European Union countries, Canada, Australia, and Kingdom of Norway which are prohibited for import into the Russian Federation for the period of one year.

HS Code	Name of goods *)***)
0201	Meat of cattle, fresh and chilled
0202	Meat of cattle, frozen
0203	Pork fresh, chilled or frozen
0207	Meat and food byproducts of poultry, indicated in the HS item 0105, fresh, chilled or frozen
From 0210**	Meat salted, pickled, dried or smoked
0301, 0302, 0303, 0304, 0305 , 0306, 0307, 0308, 0401, 0402, 0403, 0404, 0405, 0406, 0701,	Fish and crustaceous, mollusks and other aquatic invertebrates
0702 00 000, 0703, 0704, 0705, 0706, 0707 00, 0708, 0709, 0710, 0711, 0712, 0713, 0714	Milk and dairy products
0801, 0802, 0803, 0804, 0805, 0806, 0807, 0808, 0809, 0810, 0811, 0813	Vegetables, edible roots and tuber crops
1601 00	Fruits and nuts
1901 90 110 0, 1901 90 910 0,	Sausages and similar products from meat, meat byproducts or blood; prepared meat products prepared from them Prepared products including cheeses and curd on the basis of vegetable oils

2106 90 920 0, Food (containing milk, based on vegetable oils)
2106 90 980 4,
2106 90 980 5,
2106 90 980 9

Footnotes:

* For the application of this list it is necessary to follow HS code description, the name of the good is indicated for convenience.

** For the application of this item it is necessary to follow HS code description and the name of the good.

*** Excepting for goods designed for baby nutrition.

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