

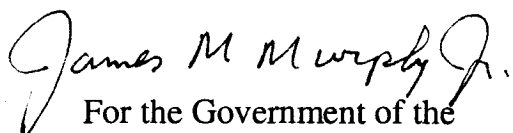
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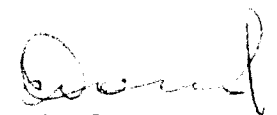
**ON AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN
FEDERATION ON TRADE IN CERTAIN TYPES OF POULTRY, BEEF, AND PORK
OF 15 JUNE 2005**

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation, in accordance with Article 3 of the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russian Federation on Trade in Certain Types of Poultry, Beef, and Pork of 15 June 2005 (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”), have agreed to replace Annex 2 to the Agreement with the “Special Measure Parameters” Annex to this Protocol.

This Protocol shall enter into force on the date of signature.

Done at Washington, District of Columbia on 29 December 2008, in two copies each in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.


For the Government of the
United States of America


For the Government of the
Russian Federation

Special Measure Parameters

The parties will additionally review the question of the special measure parameters for poultry, beef and pork that may be in effect beyond 2009. Such review shall build on the special measure parameters set forth in this Annex and shall be aimed at resolving the question of whether to switch to a tariff-only regime (based on the duty rate under the special measure defined in the Agreement) or to continue the system of special measures. If the special measure for pork is extended beyond 2009, the U.S. share will be 11.5%.

		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Poultry (HS 0207)*						
Special measure quantity	Thous. Tons	1090.4	1130.8	1171.2	1211.6	952.0
U.S. allocation	Thous. Tons	811.3	841.3	871.4	901.4	750.0
Share	%	74.4	74.4	74.4	74.4	78.8
Special measure duty	%	25	25	25	25	25
Duty applied to imports above the special measure quantity	%	-	62.5	62.5	62.5	95**
Beef (HS 0202)						
Special measure quantity	Thous. Tons	430.0	435.0	440.0	445.0	450.0
U.S. allocation	Thous. Tons	17.7	17.9	18.1	18.3	18.5
Share	%	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
Special measure duty	%	15	15	15	15	15
Duty applied to imports above the special measure quantity	%	60	55	55	50	50
Pork (HS 0203)						
Special measure quantity	Thous. Tons	467.4	476.1	484.8	493.5	531.9
U.S. allocation	Thous. Tons	53.8	54.8	49.0	49.8	100.0
Share	%	11.5	11.5	10.1	10.1	18.8
Special measure duty	%	15	15	15	15	15

		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Duty applied to imports above the special measure quantity	%	80	60	60	60	75***

* Subject to transformation from the currently applied quantitative restriction to a special measure from January 1, 2006.

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