Certificate of origin for certain products subject to special import arrangements

Introductory notes:

- 1. The period of validity of the certificate of origin shall be twelve months from the date of issue by the issuing authorities.
- 2. Certificates of origin shall consist only of a single sheet identified by the word 'original' next to the title of the document. If additional copies are necessary, they shall bear the designation 'copy' next to the title of the document. The customs authorities in the Union shall accept as valid only the original of the certificate of origin.
- 3. Certificates of origin shall measure 210×297 mm; a tolerance of up to plus 8 mm or minus 5 mm in the length may be allowed. The paper used shall be white, not containing mechanical pulp, and shall weigh not less than 40 g/m^2 . The face of the original shall have a printed yellow guilloche pattern background making any falsification by mechanical or chemical means apparent.
- 4. Certificates of origin shall be printed and completed in typescript in one of the official languages of the Union. Entries must not be erased or overwritten. Any changes shall be made by crossing out the wrong entry and, if necessary, adding the correct particulars. Such changes shall be initialled by the person making them and endorsed by the issuing authorities.

All the additional particulars required for implementation of the Union legislation governing the special import arrangements shall be entered in box 5 of the certificate of origin.

Unused spaces in boxes 5, 6 and 7 shall be struck through in such a way that nothing can be added at a later stage.

- 5. Each certificate of origin shall bear a serial number, whether or not printed, by which it can be identified, and shall be stamped by the issuing authority and signed by the person or persons empowered to do so.
- 6. Certificates of origin issued retrospectively shall bear in Box 5 the following indication in one of the official languages of the European Union:
- Issued retrospectively

1 Consignor	CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN	
	for imports of products subject to special import arrangements into the European Union	
	No	ORIGINAL
2 Consignee (optional)	3 ISSUING AUTHORITY	
	4 Country of origin	
NOTES	5 Remarks	
A. The certificate must be completed in typescript or by means of a mechanical data-processing system, or similar procedure.		
B. The original of the certificate must be lodged together with the declaration of release for free circulation with the relevant customs office in the European Union.		
6 item number — Markings and numbers — Number and kind of packages — DESCRIPTION OF GOODS 7 Gross and net mass (kg)		
8 THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE PRODUCTS ORIGINATE IN THE COUNTRY INDICATED IN BOX 4 AND THAT THE INDICATIONS IN BOX 5 ARE CORRECT.		
Place and date of issue Signature		Issuing authority's stamp
9 RESERVED FOR THE CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES IN THE EUROPEAN UNION		