

3. Relevant wording of Article 3ma

For the purposes of this work instruction, the following wording of Article 3ma is particularly relevant:

“It shall be prohibited, as of 21 January 2026, to purchase, import or transfer, directly or indirectly into the Union, petroleum products falling under CN code 2710 obtained in a third country from crude oil falling under CN code 2709 00 originating in Russia.”

“At the moment of importation, importers shall provide evidence of the country of origin of the crude oil used for the refining of the product in a third country unless the product is imported from a partner country listed in Annex LI.”

“Petroleum products imported from third countries which were net exporters of crude oil in the previous calendar year shall be considered to have been obtained from domestic crude oil and not from crude oil originating in Russia, unless a competent authority has reasonable grounds to believe that they have been obtained from Russian crude oil.”

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