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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## NOTIFICATION

## Addendum

The following communication, received on 16 May 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the <u>European Union</u>.

Transitional measures concerning the Union list of flavourings and source materials set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the extension of the transition period of Article 4 concerning the flavouring "grill flavour concentrate (vegetable)" FL no. 21.002

The Union list of flavourings and source materials is laid down in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1334/3008. It was established by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 872/2012 of 1 October 2012 adopting the list of flavouring substances notified in G/SPS/N/EU/13/Add.1 (12 October 2012).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 873/2012 provided for an extended transitional period, ending on 22 April 2018, for the flavourings belonging to specific categories of the Union list ("flavouring preparations", "thermal process flavourings", "flavour precursors", "other flavourings" and "source materials").

Flavourings belonging to these categories had to be subject of an application for authorisation in order to be allowed to remain on the market until the end of the transition period.

An application was submitted for the product "grill flavour concentrate (vegetable)" (Fl no. 21.002), belonging to the category "other flavourings". The European Food Safety Authority proceeded with the evaluation of this application and requested on 5 October 2017 additional studies to be submitted before 5 August 2018. As this deadline elapses after the end of the transition period, this draft Commission Regulation extends the transitional period for the flavouring product "grill flavour concentrate (vegetable)" (Fl no. 21.002) by two years, in order to allow for the completion of its safety assessment by the European Food Safety Authority and the subsequent completion of the application procedure.

Pyroligneous distillate (FL no. 21.001) is currently the only flavouring added to the Union list of flavourings belonging to the category "other flavourings". Consequently, since 23 April 2018, the "grill flavour concentrate (vegetable)", (FL no. 21.002) and pyroligneous distillate (FL no. 21.001) are the only flavourings belonging to the category "other flavourings" that can be added to food placed on the market in the EU.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18 2480 00 e.pdf

## This addendum concerns a:

[]	Modification of final date for comments
[]	Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
[]	Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
[]	Withdrawal of proposed regulation
[]	Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force

Other: Transitional measures concerning the Union list of flavourings and source materials set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the extension of the transition period of Article 4 concerning the flavouring "grill flavour concentrate (vegetable)" FL no. 21.002

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

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