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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 18 May 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the <u>European Union</u>.

Temporary authorization of pyroligneous distillate (Fl no. 21.001) in specific traditional spirit drinks

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.

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 authorization in order to be allowed to remain on the EU market pending the completion of the application procedure.

An application was submitted for the product pyroligneous distillate (Fl no. 21.001) belonging to the category "other flavourings". This application was assessed by the European Food Safety Authority.

This draft Commission Regulation amends the Union list by providing temporary authorization for five years for the product pyroligneous distillate (Fl no. 21.001), commercially known as rum ether under the category "other flavourings", to be added only to certain specific traditional spirits. This authorization at Union level replaces the national authorizations, which ceased to apply after the end of the transition period.

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[X]	Other: Temporary authorization of a certain flavouring substance.

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