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Order extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the framework of the Inter-branch Association of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Industry (INTERFEL) and relating to the harmonisation of date-marking practices for packaging and consumer sales units (UVCs)

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Order extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the framework of the Inter-branch Association of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Industry (INTERFEL) and relating to the harmonisation of date-marking practices for packaging and consumer sales units (UVCs)

6. Products Concerned

Fresh fruit and vegetables produced and sold in metropolitan France as cook-chill products, with the exception of bananas and potatoes.

Cook-chill products: whole fruit and vegetables which may have been trimmed (total or partial removal of inedible parts) within the trimming limits defined by standardisation or commercial use

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The order extends an agreement intended to harmonise date-marking practices for packaging and consumer sales units (unités de vente consommateurs – UVCs) when labelling packages and UVCs with a date that is encoded but legible to the naked eye indicating the manufacturing date.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The aim of this order is not to make it compulsory on French territory to mark fruit and vegetables with a date (this remains optional), but rather to harmonise practices when the client asks this of their supplier.

The objective of this agreement is to ensure transparency and fairness in commercial transactions, with the assurance of a harmonised date-marking system that may be used by all.

This agreement was signed on 26 October 2016 for a period of three years. This notification is therefore valid for 2017, 2018 and 2019.

The extension order will cover the period from 1 January 2017 to 26 October 2019, at the request of the inter-branch association.

The inter-branch association considers that the inter-branch agreement contributes to facilitating the trading of fresh fruit and vegetables produced and marketed in France by harmonising the dates mentioned on the labels. It serves as a tool for professionals, as it makes it possible to have more transparency in commercial



transactions and improves product traceability at the different stages of placement on the market.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference(s) to basic text(s): - Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products;

- Inter-branch agreement signed on 24 October 2016

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS aspect

No - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

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