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# Order extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the Inter-branch Association of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Industry (INTERFEL) and relating to the size classification of shallots for the 2016 – 2018 campaigns

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## Message

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#### 4. Notification Number

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#### 5. Title

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#### 6. Products Concerned

Shallots produced in France

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The Order extends an agreement intended to improve the quality of shallots produced in France.

The purpose of the agreement is to limit the size of shallots intended for consumption both in France and in external markets. It sets the size at 55 mm.

The agreement does not apply to shallots intended for processing.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Under this Order, the rules set out in the interprofessional agreement will become compulsory on French territory. The limiting of the size of shallots is intended to avoid the marketing to consumers of large shallots, which keep for a shorter period and develop diseases and rot more quickly.

This agreement signed on 9 June 2015 is stipulated for three years, from 1 January 2016 until 31 December 2018. It is identical to the provisions of the previous agreement notified under No 2013/549/F.

This notification relates to rules which, concerning the three-year agreement, will not change from now to the 2018 campaign. It is therefore valid for 2016, 2017 and 2018. The extension Order covers the period 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2018, the expiry date of the date of the inter-branch agreement, at the request of the inter-branch.

The inter-branch association believes that the inter-branch agreement helps improve the quality of shallots produced in France through the marketing of small size shallots which keep better than larger sizes and which have better taste qualities.

Shallots which are too large risk developing health problems. Effectively, an overly-large bulb prevents the neck from sealing properly, thereby potentially giving rise to disease and considerably reducing storage time. This agreement has therefore made it possible to optimise the shallots released to the market and draw the consumer's attention to the product.

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**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 'Shallot size', signed on 9 June 2015. .

11.	Invocat	tion of	the	Emerg	ency	Procedure

No

## 12. Grounds for the Emergency

# 13. Confidentiality

No

## 14. Fiscal measures

No

## 15. Impact assessment

## 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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