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Decree extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the Inter-branch Association of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable industry (INTERFEL) and relating to the marketing of size-D peaches and nectarines – 2012 campaign -

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Peaches and nectarines produced in France

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The decree extends an agreement aimed at improving the quality of peaches and nectarines produced in France throughout the marketing campaign. The agreement seeks to prohibit the marketing of size-D peaches and nectarines (small sizes) before 30 June of the crop year.

This provision is part of the follow-up to the marketing standard applicable to peaches and nectarines provided for under implementation regulation (EU) no. 543/2011 of the Commission of 7 June 2011, which prohibits the commercialisation of size-D peaches and nectarines from 1 July to 31 October.

The inter-branch agreement is not applicable to peaches and nectarines sold separately for processing.

Key words: peach nectarine - size D - marketing

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Under this decree, the rules set out in the inter-branch agreement will become compulsory on French territory. The prohibition on size D from the start of the campaign in France makes it possible to ensure sufficient development of the fruit and guarantee that fruit placed on the market has reached a satisfactory level of maturity which meets consumer expectations.

This agreement, signed on 18 February 2010, has already been subject to extension by decree for the 2011 marketing campaign, following notification 2010/539.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References to reference texts: - Regulation (EC) no. 1234/2007 of the Council, of 22 October 2007, establishing

a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Article 125 I Point 3. a) iv)

- Inter-branch agreement 'Peach - Nectarine size D prohibition'

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

It is a quality initiative relating to the fruit and vegetable sector. The inter-branch association considers that its inter-branch agreement helps improve the taste of peaches and nectarines: the prohibition of size D at the beginning of the campaign makes it possible to ensure sufficient maturity of the product. The inter-branch association guarantees to sustain a certain level of consumption and avoid losing consumers of these products throughout the duration of the campaign.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect

NO - The plan has no significant impact on international commerce.

SPS aspect

NO - The plan has no significant impact on international commerce.

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