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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 size classification of apricots – 2012 campaign

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He ce предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Apricots produced in France

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The decree extends an agreement aimed at improving the quality of apricots produced in France.

The agreement seeks to impose a minimum size for apricots destined for consumption, both in France and on external markets. It sets this minimum size at 35 mm (measured as the maximum diameter of the equatorial section) and limits size differences within the same package to 5mm.

The agreement is not applicable to apricots destined for industrial processing or apricots presented for sale, sold, or destined for sale, in a single package of over 2 kg labelled 'apricots for preserves'.

Key word: apricot – size – consumption

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Under this decree, the rules set out in the inter-branch agreement will become compulsory on French territory. The establishment of a minimum size for apricots ensures sufficient development of the fruit and guarantees the satisfactory maturity of fruit placed on the market. The sizing method also ensures greater homogeneity for fruit proposed for sale to the consumer.

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)

- The inter-branch 'Apricots - Sizing' agreement of 12 October 2010



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

Yes

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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