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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Fruit jams, jellies and marmalades, chestnut purée, other nut purées, prune purée, petal conserve, candied fruit conserve and fruit grape jelly.

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The draft Decree transposes Directive 2001/113/EC relating to fruit jams, jellies and marmalades and sweetened chestnut purée intended for human consumption, into national law. It lays down composition criteria to which jams and similar products must conform in order to use the reserved names that appear in Annex I, as well as provisions relating to labelling which supplement those laid down by Directive 2000/13/EC.

Furthermore, the draft text reproduces national regulatory provisions on composition and labelling as regards prune purée, nut purée (other than chestnut), petal conserve, candied fruit conserve and fruit grape jelly. These products are not covered by the Directive and represent small volumes. In national law, these products were already defined in Decree No 85-872 of 14 August 1985.

Keywords: jam, petal conserve, fruit grape jelly

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

In implementation of Article 3 of Directive 2001/113/EC, "for the products defined in Annex I, the Member States shall not adopt national provisions not provided for by this Directive."

However, every Member State has the option to lay down requirements relating to national traditional products insofar as they are different from those that fall within the scope of the Directive and do not create confusion with the products defined at Community level.

Consequently, France would like to retain the provisions relating to prune purée, nut purée (other than chestnut), petal conserve, candied fruit conserve and fruit grape jelly in the draft Decree sent under this notification, since it is necessary to maintain the current level of consumer protection for these traditional products.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Decree No 85-872 of 14 August 1985 on fruit jams, jellies and marmalades, and other similar products
11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No
12. Grounds for the Emergency
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment No
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT aspect a) No iii) The draft does not have any notable impact on international trade.)
SPS Aspect a) No b)
i) The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure, pursuant to Annex A to the SPS Agreement.
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