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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 concerning the packaging and grading of Charente melons – 2010 season

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Message

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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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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Charente melon.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The order extends an agreement that aims to improve the quality of melons produced in France throughout the marketing campaign for French and overseas markets. The present agreement applies to melons of varieties grown from Cucumis melo L. and specified as “CHARENTAIS” in UNECE standard FFV-23 Melons. It sets down a minimum weight, a grading scale and a weight/number of fruits balance.

Keywords: melon – minimum weight – size – weight – selling - standardisation

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This order serves to enforce the rules defined in the inter-branch agreement in France. This order will ensure greater uniformity of the fruits sold.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Article 125 terdecies point 3. a) iv)
- Inter-branch agreement on the grading and packaging of “Charente melons” of 15 May 2009

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

This is a quality method that concerns the fruit and vegetable industry. The inter-branch organisation believes that its inter-branch agreement contributes to improving the tasting quality of melons: a minimum grading guarantees a better ripeness of the product and consequently ensures customer loyalty.

Charente melons are sold individually and the grading scale set down in the inter-branch agreement prevents the consumer from feeling wronged when choosing the product.

Consumption of the product increased between 2006 and 2008.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT relevance

a) NO

b) The project has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS relevance

a) NO

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