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Draft Order on the use of calcium in soya-based food products.

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Drinks obtained by coagulation of soya milk and gelled desserts obtained by fermentation of the drinks produced by coagulation of soya milk.

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

Cow's milk allergies, lactose intolerance or even the choice of a vegetarian diet force certain persons to consume soya-based products which do not contain cow's milk. These persons and persons who consume very small quantities of dairy produce do not meet their calcium in-take requirements. Calcium enrichment of certain soya-based products therefore constitutes a real arm in the public health arsenal.

The draft Order lays down the conditions of use of calcium in drinks and gelled desserts and in particular, the maximum limits and the purity criteria.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The aim of this text is to improve the nutritional status of the general population.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Consumer Code, Article L. 214-1

Decree of 15 April 1912 (amended) implementing the Act

of 1 August 1905 regarding foodstuffs

Decree No 93-1130 of 27 September 1993 on labelling regarding the nutritional qualities of foodstuffs Order of 3 December 1993 implementing Decree No 93-1130

of 27 September 1993 on labelling regarding the nutritional qualities of foodstuffs

Opinions of the French Agency for Food Safety of 26 July 2001

and 16 April 2002 and of 14 October 2002.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No
12. Grounds for the Emergency -
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT aspect (Agreement on technical barriers to trade) No The draft does not have any notable impact on international trade.)
SPS aspect (Agreement on sanitary and phytosanitary measures) No The draft does not have any notable impact on international trade.)
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