COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1437/2000

of 30 June 2000

amending Section C of Annex VI to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 25 June 1991 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs (1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1073/2000 (2), and in particular Articles 5(8) and 13 thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 207/93 of 29 January 1993 defining the content of Annex VI to Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs and laying down detailed rules for implementing the provisions of Article 5(4) thereof (3), as amended by Regulation (EC) No 345/97 (4), and in particular Article 3(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- Article 5(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 provides that ingredients of agricultural origin may be included in Section C of Annex VI only where it has been shown that such ingredients are of agricultural origin and are not produced in sufficient quantity in the Community in accordance with the rules laid down in Article 6, or cannot be imported from third countries in accordance with the rules laid down in Article 11.
- Certain Member States have notified to the other Member States and the Commission in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 207/93, the authorisations which have been granted for use of certain ingredients of agricultural

origin currently not included in Section C of Annex VI to Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91. It has appeared that nutmeg, certain pepper species and mixtures thereof, safflower flowers, mixtures of certain edible crops having colouring and tasting qualities, smoked coriander, and kirsch are currently not available from organic production. Therefore these products should be included in Section C of Annex VI to that Regulation.

- There is a need for the measures being taken by urgency, as for certain products the possibility for prolongation of the authorisations at national level in accordance with Article 3(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 207/93 has expired.
- For reasons of clarity it is appropriate to re-establish the entire text of Section C of Annex VI.
- The measures provided for in this Regulation are in (5) accordance with the opinion of the Committee referred to in Article 14 of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Section C of Annex VI to Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 is hereby replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 June 2000.

For the Commission Franz FISCHLER Member of the Commission

OJ L 198, 22.7.1991, p. 1. OJ L 119, 20.5.2000, p. 27. OJ L 25, 2.2.1993, p. 5. OJ L 58, 27.2.1997, p. 38.

ANNEX

'SECTION C — INGREDIENTS OF AGRICULTURAL ORIGIN WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PRODUCED ORGANICALLY, REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 5(4) OF REGULATION (EEC) No 2092/91

- C.1. Unprocessed vegetable products as well as products derived therefrom by processes referred to under definition 2(a) of the introduction of this Annex:
- C.1.1. Edible fruits, nuts and seeds:

Acerola Malpighia punicifolia Acorns Quercus spp.

Cashew nuts

Anacardium occidentale

Cola nuts

Cola acuminata

Fenugreek Trigonella foenum-graecum

Gooseberries Ribes uva-crispa
Maracujas (passion fruit) Passiflora edulis
Papayas Carica papaya
Pine kernels Pinus pinea
Raspberries (dried) Rubus idaeus
Red currants (dried) Ribes rubrum

C.1.2. Edible spices and herbs:

Cinnamon

Clove

Ginger

Allspice Pimenta dioica

Cardamom Fructus cardamomi (minoris) (malabariensis)

Elettaria cardamomum Cinnamomum zeylanicum Syzygium aromaticum Zingiber officinale

Nutmeg Myristica fragrans, until 31.12.2000 only

Pepper green Piper nigrum, until 30.4.2001 only

Pepper (peruvian)

Horseradish seeds

Armoracia rusticana

Lesser galanga

Alpinia officinarum

Safflower flowers

Cartamus tinctorius

Watercress herb

Nasturtium officinale

C.1.3. Miscellaneous:

Algae, including seaweed, permitted in conventional foodstuffs preparation

- C.2. Vegetable products, processed by processes as referred to under definition 2(b) of the introduction of this Annex:
- C.2.1. Fats and oils whether or not refined, but not chemically modified, derived from plants other than:

CocoaTheobroma cacaoCocoCocos nuciferaOliveOlea europaeaSunflowerHelianthus annuus

C.2.2. The following sugars, starches and other products from cereals and tubers:

Beet sugar, until 1.4.2003 only

Fructose

Rice paper

Unleavened bread paper

Starch from rice and waxy maize, not chemically modified

C.2.3. Miscellaneous:

Curry composed of:

Coriander
 Mustard
 Fennel
 Ginger
 Zingiber officinale

Coriander, smoked Coriandrum sativum, until 31.12.2000 only

Pea protein Pisum spp.

Rum: only obtained from cane sugar juice

Kirsch prepared on the basis of fruits and flavourings as referred to in Section A.2 of this Annex

Mixtures of crops permitted in conventional foodstuffs preparation, and giving coloring and tasting qualities to confectionary, only for preparation of "Gummi Bärchen", until 30.9.2000 only

Mixtures of the following peppers: Piper nigrum, Schinus molle and Schinus terebinthifolium, until 31.12.2000 only

C.3. Animal products:

Aquatic organisms, not originating from aquaculture, and permitted in conventional foodstuffs preparation Buttermilk powder

Gelatin

Honey

Lactose

Whey powder "herasuola".'