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COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 29 November 2004

on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and the Republic of Chile concerning amendments to Appendix I to the Agreement on trade in spirit drinks and aromatised drinks of the Association Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, taking into account the enlargement

(2004/881/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 2002/979/EC of 18 November 2002 on the signature and provisional application of certain provisions of an Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Taking account of the enlargement, it is necessary to amend Appendix I, Section A of the Agreement on trade in spirit drinks and aromatised drinks of the Association Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, in order to protect the new spirit terms of the new Member States with effect from 1 May 2004.
- (2) Therefore, the Community and the Republic of Chile have negotiated, in accordance with Article 16(2) of the aforementioned Agreement, an agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters to amend its Appendix I, section A. This Exchange of Letters should therefore be approved.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Implementation Committee for Spirit Drinks,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and the Republic of Chile amending Appendix I, Section A of the Agreement on trade in spirit drinks and aromatised drinks of the Association Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The Commissioner of Agriculture is hereby empowered to sign the Exchange of Letters in order to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels, 29 November 2004.

For the Commission
Mariann FISCHER BOEL
Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 352, 30.12.2002, p. 1.