

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1902/2004

of 29 October 2004

amending the specification of a name appearing in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1107/96 on the registration of geographical indications and designations of origin (Les Garrigues)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 of 14 July 1992 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and food-stuffs ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Under Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92, the Spanish authorities have requested amendments to the geographical area for 'Les Garrigues', registered as a protected designation of origin (PDO) by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1107/96 of 12 June 1996 on the registration of geographical indications and designations of origin under the procedure laid down in Article 17 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 ⁽²⁾.
- (2) Following examination of this request for amendment, it has been decided that the amendments concerned are not minor.
- (3) In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 and since the amendments are not minor, the Article 6 procedure applies *mutatis mutandis*.

(4) It has been decided that the amendments in this case comply with Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92. No statement of objection, within the meaning of Article 7 of the Regulation, has been sent to the Commission following the publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* ⁽³⁾ of the abovementioned amendments.

(5) Consequently, these amendments must be registered and published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The amendments set out in Annex I to this Regulation shall be registered and published in accordance with Article 6(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92.

A summary of the main points of the specification is given in Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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

Done at Brussels, 29 October 2004.

For the Commission

Franz FISCHLER

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 208, 24.7.1992, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1215/2004 (OJ L 232, 1.7.2004, p. 21).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 148, 21.6.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1354/2004 (OJ L 249, 23.7.2004, p. 14).

⁽³⁾ OJ C 187, 7.8.2003, p. 7 (Les Garrigues).

ANNEX I

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2081/92

Amendment to the specification of a protected designation of origin (article 9)

EC No: ES/0070/24.01.1994

1. **Registered name: 'Les Garrigues'**2. **Amendments(s) requested:**

— Specification heading:

- ☐ Name
- ☐ Description
- ☒ Geographical area
- ☐ Proof of origin
- ☐ Method of production
- ☐ Link
- ☐ Labelling
- ☐ National requirement

— Amendment(s):

The geographical area covered by this designation is to be extended to include the following municipalities:

Region	Municipality
Les Garrigues	Tarrès
El Segrià	Aitona (remainder) Alcarràs La Granja d'Escarp Massalcoreig Seròs (remainder) Soses Torres del Segre

From the point of view of the link with the environment (historical, soil, relief and climatic factors), the geographical area to be extended continues to demonstrate a cohesion and degree of homogeneity similar to what it had prior to the requested extension (initial PDO) and fulfils all the basic requirements set out in the specification for this protected designation of origin listed in the Community register, producing an extra virgin olive oil with the same characteristics as the protected olive oil.

ANNEX II

SUMMARY

REGULATION (EEC) No 2081/92

'LES GARRIGUES'

EC No: ES/0070/24.1.1994

PDO (X) PGI ()

This summary has been drawn up for information purposes only. For full details, in particular the producers of the products covered by the PDO or PGI concerned, please consult the complete version of the product specification obtainable at national level or from the European Commission ⁽¹⁾.

1. Responsible department in the Member State :

Name: Subdirección General de Sistemas de Calidad Diferenciada. Dirección General de Alimentación. Secretaría General de Agricultura y Alimentación. Ministerio de Agricultura Pesca y Alimentación de España.

Address: Pº Infanta Isabel, 1 – E-28071 Madrid

Telephone: (34-91) 347 53 94

Fax: (34-91) 347 54 10

2. Applicant group:

2.1. Name: CONSEJO REGULADOR DE LA D.O.P 'LES GARRIGUES'

2.2. Address: Complex la Caparrella 97 1ª planta. E-25192 Lleida

Telephone: (34-973) 28 04 70

Fax: (34-973) 26 04 27

2.3. Composition: producer/processor (X) other ()

3. Type of product: virgin olive oil - Class 1.5

4. Description: (summary of requirements under Article 4(2))

4.1. Name: 'Les Garrigues'

4.2. Description:

Virgin olive oil obtained from olives of the varieties *Arbequina* and *Verdiell*. Acidity < 0,5 °; PN max 15; Humidity < 0,1 %. Distinguishing characteristics: Fruity: greenish in colour with a taste of bitter almonds, and Sweet: yellow and sweet.

4.3. Geographical area:

The south-east of the province of Lérida. Various municipal areas in the districts of Les Garrigues, El Segrià and L'Urgel. The municipalities are the following:

Region	Municipality
Les Garrigues	Albagés, l'; Albi, l'; Arbeca; Bellaguarda; Borges Blanques, les; Bovera; Castells; Cervià de les Garrigues; Cogul, el; Espluga Calba, l'; La Floresta; Fullea; Granyena de les Garrigues; Granadella, la; Juncosa; Juneda (up to the road from Lleida to Tarragona); Omellons, els; Pobla de Cérvoles, la; Soleràs, el; Tarrés; Torms, els; Vilosell, el; Vinaixa
El Segrià	Aitona; Alcanó; Alcarràs; Alfés; Almatret; Aspa; Granja d'Escarp, la; Llardecans; Maials; Massalcoreig; Sarroca de Lleida; Seròs; Soses; Sunyer (up to the Seròs canal); Torrebesses; Torres de Segre
L'Urgell	Belianes; Ciutadilla; Guimerà; Maldà; Nalec; Omells de Na Gaia, els; San Martí de Riucorb; Vallbona de les Monges; Verdú

⁽¹⁾ European Commission – Directorate-General for Agriculture – Agricultural product quality policy – B-1049 Brussels.

4.4. *Proof of origin:*

Oil is extracted in registered plants under the supervision of the Regulatory Board from olives of the varieties authorised from registered olive groves.

4.5. *Method of production:*

The oil is extracted from healthy clean olives using appropriate techniques which do not detract from the product's characteristics.

4.6. *Link:*

Loose limey soil clayey-loamy in texture and reddish-ochre in colour. Continental climate. Supervised cultivation, collection and production.

4.7. *Inspection body:*

Name: Consejo Regulador D.O. 'Les Garrigues'

Address: Complex la Caparrella 97 1^a planta. – E-25192 Lleida

Telephone: (34-973) 28 04 70

Fax: (34-973) 26 04 27

The Regulatory Board for the protected designation of origin 'Les Garrigues' meets the requirements of standard EN 45011.

4.8. *Labelling:*

Labels authorised by the Regulatory Board reading: Denominación de Origen 'Les Garrigues' aceite virgen. Back-labels are numbered and issued by the Regulatory Board.

4.9. *National legislative requirements (if any):*

Law No 25/1970 of 2 December 1970. Order of 10 May 1987 regulating the 'Borjas Blancas' designation of origin and its Regulatory Board. Order of 9 August 1993 replacing the designation 'Borjas Blancas' by the designation 'Les Garrigues'.
