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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 127/97
of 20 January 1997
amending Regulation (EEC) No 2390/89 laying down general rules for the import
of wines, grape juice and grape must

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 of 16 March 1987 on the common organization of the market in wine⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 70 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Article 1 (2) and Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2390/89⁽²⁾ provides for import facilities for wine products originating in third countries which offer specific guarantees through the provision of a certificate of origin and conformity and an analysis report; whereas Article 3 (2) of that Regulation limits those facilities to a trial period expiring on 31 December 1996; whereas, taking into account the time necessary to examine the implementation of future arrangements, the abovementioned period should be extended until the end of 1997,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In Article 3 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2390/89, the date 31 December 1996 shall be replaced by 31 December 1997.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 January 1997.

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

Done at Brussels, 20 January 1997.

For the Council

The President

J. VAN AARTSEN

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 84, 27. 3. 1987, p. 1 Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1592/96 (OJ No L 206, 16. 8. 96, p. 31).

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 232, 9. 8. 1989, p. 7. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 120/96 (OJ No L 20, 26. 1. 1996, p. 2).