

COMMISSION

Publication pursuant to Article 12(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs, concerning a cancellation application

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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 510/2006

Cancellation request according to Article 12(2) and Article 17(2)

'ARROZ DEL DELTA DEL EBRO'

EC No: ES/PGI/005/0336/03.03.2004

PGI PDO

1. Registered name proposed for cancellation:

'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' ⁽¹⁾

2. Member State or Third Country:

Spain

3. Type of product:

Class 1.6 — Cereals

4. Person or body making request for cancellation:

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Nature of legitimate interest in making the request:

The cancellation request is being made by the same group which submitted the registration request, and is being submitted in parallel with the group's request to register the Protected Designation of Origin 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' or 'Arrós del Delta de l'Ebre'.

⁽¹⁾ OJL 148, 21.6.1996, p. 1.

5. Reasons for cancellation:

The product was initially classified in the Autonomous Community of origin (Catalonia) as the Quality Designation 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' in 1985 and was approved at national level as a Specific Designation. Accordingly, since it wished to have it protected internationally in the European Community and in order to comply with the time limits then applicable for making an application at Community level, the group applied to the Commission in 1993 to have the product registered as 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' Protected Geographical Indication.

As a result, the Protected Geographical Indication 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' was entered in the Community register of PDOs and PGIs on 21 June 1996, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92.

The applicant group considers that 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' has distinctive characteristics which can be ascribed solely to the defined geographical area or to the geographical environment and its natural and human factors, that production and processing take place fully within the defined geographical area, and that the requirements in Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 for registration as a Protected Designation of Origin have accordingly been met.

For these reasons, pursuant to Article 12(2) of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006, it requests the cancellation of 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' in the Register of Designations of Origin and Protected Geographical Indications, and the simultaneous registration in that same Register of 'Arroz del Delta del Ebro' or 'Arrós del Delta de l'Ebre' as a Protected Designation of Origin.
