COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 803/2003

of 8 April 2003

amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 implementing the Kimberley Process certification scheme for the international trade in rough diamonds

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 implementing the Kimberley Process certification scheme for the international trade in rough diamonds (1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 762/2003 (2), and in particular Article 20 thereof,

Whereas:

- Article 20 of Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002, as (1)amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 254/2003 (3), provides for the amending of the list of participants in the Kimberley Process certification scheme, including WTO Members and separate customs territories that fulfil the requirements of the scheme.
- The Chair of the Kimberley Process certification scheme, (2) through the Chair's Notice of 5 May 2003, has provided an updated list of Participants in the scheme. The updating of the list concerns in particular the addition as Participants of Cameroon, Mali, Poland, Slovenia, Tunisia and Turkey, and the removal from the list of Romania. Annex II should therefore be amended accordingly.

- The Plenary Meeting of the Kimberley Process certification scheme of 28 to 30 April 2003 agreed that a revised list of Participants shall be issued by the Chair of the Kimberley Process certification scheme by 10 June 2003, and that all those on the revised list shall have their status as Participants confirmed or withdrawn by 31 July 2003 through a further decision of the Chair.
- The measures provided for in Article 2 of this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee referred to in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2368/2002 is hereby replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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, 8 April 2003.

For the Commission Christopher PATTEN Member of the Commission

⁽¹) OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 28. (²) OJ L 109, 1.5.2003, p. 10.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 36, 11.2.2003, p. 7.

ANNEX

'ANNEX II

List of participants in the Kimberley Process certification scheme and their duly appointed competent authorities as referred to in Articles 2, 3, 8, 9, 12, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

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