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Euro exchange rates (1)

16 February 2004

(2004/C 41/01)

1 euro =

	Currency	Exchange rate		Currency	Exchange rate	
USD	US dollar	1,2741	LVL	Latvian lats	0,6714	
JPY	Japanese yen	134,39	MTL	Maltese lira	0,4285	
DKK	Danish krone	7,4508	PLN	Polish zloty	4,8584	
GBP	Pound sterling	0,6758	ROL	Romanian leu	40 619	
SEK	Swedish krona	9,1719	SIT	Slovenian tolar	237,5	
CHF	Swiss franc	1,5754	SKK	Slovak koruna	40,425	
ISK	Iceland króna	86,95	TRL	Turkish lira	1 691 100	
NOK	Norwegian krone	8,812	AUD	Australian dollar	1,6124	
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9556	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,6802	
CYP	Cyprus pound	0,58579	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	9,8997	
CZK	Czech koruna	32,527	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,8046	
EEK	Estonian kroon	15,6466	SGD	Singapore dollar	2,1345	
HUF	Hungarian forint	263,75	KRW	South Korean won	1 476,17	
LTL	Lithuanian litas	3,4532	ZAR	South African rand	8,4565	

 $^(^{1})$ Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

Publication of an application for registration pursuant to Article 6(2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin

(2004/C 41/02)

This publication confers the right to object to the application pursuant to Articles 7 and 12d of the abovementioned Regulation. Any objection to this application must be submitted via the competent authority in a Member State, in a WTO member country or in a third country recognized in accordance with Article 12(3) within a time limit of six months from the date of this publication. The arguments for publication are set out below, in particular under 4.6, and are considered to justify the application within the meaning of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92.

COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 2081/92

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION: ARTICLE 5

PDO (x) PGI ()

National application No: 12/2002

1. Responsible department in Member State

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2. Applicant group

Name: Consorzio di tutela e valorizzazione dell'olio extra di oliva Cartoceto

Address: Piazza Garibaldi, 1 — I-61030 Cartoceto (PS)

Composition: Producer/processor (x) other ()

- 3. Type of product: Group 1.5 extra virgin olive oil
- 4. Specification (summary of requirements under Article 4(2))
- 4.1. N a m e : 'Cartoceto'
- 4.2. Description: Extra virgin olive oil with the following chemical and organoleptic characteristics:
 - maximum acidity: 0,5 % (expressed as oleic acid),
 - panel test points \geq 7, clear absence of defects and perception of the fruity,
 - peroxides: maximum value 12 meq O2/kg,
 - total polyphenols $\geq 100 \text{ mg/kg}$,
 - oleic/linoleic acid ratio ≥ 8 ,
 - green or green with golden yellow tints for oils still very young; golden yellow with greenish tints for more mature oils,

- aroma: green olive fruity from light to medium on the IOOC scale with a light herbaceous note,

- taste: well balanced, fusing green fruity, sweet, bitter and pungent.

- 4.3. Geographical area: The production area is located in the Province of Pesaro e Urbino (Marche Region) and comprises the territory of the communes of Cartoceto, Saltara, Serrungarina and Mombaroccio and part of that of Fano (entire north hill slope bounded by the Flaminia national highway to its junction with the Adriatica national highway (south side) and the administrative boundary (north side).
- 4.4. Proof of origin: Some historians ascribe the origin of Cartoceto and the surrounding villages to Carthaginians who survived the battle on the River Metauros (207 BC) and escaped capture and slaughter by sheltering in the woods on the right bank of the river, while others crossed it and hid in the hills overlooking the valley, then covered in thick woods. Unable to return home, they stayed where they were and formed the first family groups. Thus Cartoceto would derive from Karchidon or Karthada, the Greek name for Carthage, or from the Latin Carthaginensium coetus 'group of Carthaginians', hence Carticetum.

The presence of the olive in the Cartoceto district is attested by a series of acts and documents dating back to the 13th century, when for the granting of lands in lease, including ground with olive trees at Ripalta, from 1178 agreements were concluded assigning half of the olive crop and stipulating payment of 100 soldi of Lucca if the terms were not kept. The lands under the jurisdiction of Fano were an important source of olive oil and Cartoceto was of particular importance, outstanding for its production, as noted in 1392 by l'Amiani in the Memorie historiche della città di Fano. The great interest of the owners in growing olives is apparent in the 1540 land register when 116 out of 195 had olive trees on their ground. Despite the duties on oil Cartoceto increased the number of trees over the centuries. Between 1590 and 1681 it quadrupled.

Notarial acts of that period record the presence of numerous mills at Cartoceto and cast light on the provisions governing them. Joint operation is a recurring feature throughout the 15th and 16th centuries, with enterprises being set up between owners on specific terms. In consequence breaking up the ownership of a mill was a complex and sometimes confused matter. Often one is dealing with a half or a third part but there are also cases of smaller divisions where given the awkwardness of the operation several people were assigned to the assessment. From examination of the notarial deeds in chronological succession it is deduced that on 1 August 1538 seven mills were operating in Cartoceto. That oil produced there has always been among the most highly prized of goods is shown by its being used in 1390 to indicate the value of other goods, e.g. 'a white ass with a saddle is worth seven quartaroli of oil' (61 litres). The oil fulfilled various functions: it served as a form of payment for various types of work and was given in income to each canon of the collegiate church and as revenue to the bishop. From the earliest times the community made sure that the oil could be sold at a booth in the piazza particularly on market days. The seller undertook not to increase the price to strangers, to keep the oil in good condition and in the containers and to display a placard with the price. The oil met not only the needs of the district but was in demand and appreciated elsewhere. Various documents attest the fame that the oil produced at Cartoceto had acquired as far back as 1500.

Growing, processing and bottling take place within the delimited area. Bottling has to be within the area in order to safeguard the distinctive characteristics and quality of the oil by having inspection by the third party organisation carried out under the watchful eye of the producers themselves, to whom the protected designation of origin is of vital importance, offering as it does, and as the Regulation itself intends, a means of supplementing their income. Moreover, this operation has traditionally being carried out in the delimited area.

The olives come from the growers' registered groves and extraction, bottling and packaging are done by approved registered establishments. The inspection body checks that the technical requirements that the production specification imposes for registration are met and that all the parties in the production chain comply with the traceability provisions.

4.5. Method of production: The oil is produced from the varieties Raggiola, Frantoio and Leccino, which in the groves must have a representation jointly or individually of not less than 70 %. The minor varieties Raggia, Moraiolo and Pendolino are allowed up to a maximum of 30 %. Cropping starts when the colour change begins (in the delimited zone this is generally seen from the second 10 days of October) and is not prolonged beyond 25 November each year. The olives are picked either by the traditional hand-combing method or pneumatic or electric rakes are used. Shaking, beating down and detachment are prohibited. Until they are crushed the olives are kept in rigid ventilated containers that prevent damage to the fruit. Treatment is given against Dacus oleae from the end of July/beginning of August (the last treatment can never be later than 10 September) and against sooty mould in winter and summer.

Maximum production is 9 000 kg per hectare for the new groves (dynamic layout, irrigated land, particularly fertile soil) and for the old traditional groves 7 500 kg, while for mixed groves the average production is 20 kg per tree. The oil must be bottled in the area and produced exclusively from healthy olives grown and crushed in it. Crushing must occur within 48 hours of cropping and the olives can be kept in the mill for only a few hours. Extraction is exclusively by traditional methods or in continuous process and throughout the extraction cycle the temperature parameters set in Regulation (EC) 2568/92 must be strictly observed and the production specification requirements setting crushing procedures, temperatures and kneading times according to the degree of colouring and cropping period adhered to. The ripasso method is prohibited, as are use of chemical or biochemical products during conversion of the olives into oil, and only mechanical filteration is permitted. Deleafing is done in advance. The yield may not exceed 18 kg/quintal of olives. Until bottled the oil must be kept in stainless steel casks under nitrogen.

4.6. Link: The presence of the olive in the district is a characteristic feature of the landscape. Its cultivation is part of the way of life of the small community and the history of its cultivation is part of the community's history. A microclimate favoured by the predominantly south to south-east exposure, the restricted altitudes, the natural barriers of the Partemio hills and of the Mattera, the hill slopes of which the entire zone is made up, the medium-textured predominantly tuff/sandstone soil dating back to the Miocene, the ascending tributaries of the Metauro rising through the Rio Secco and the cold winds deflected by the Cesane have in conjunction made this a decisively olive-growing area. The climate is sub-Mediterranean, ideal for the olive, with a mean annual temperature of around 14 °C as a result of minima around 0 °C in January and February and July and August temperatures of no more than 26 °C.

Olive-growing is deeply rooted in the delimited area and there are numerous testimonies to the strong tie between the olive and the population. A well known example is the First People's Council in January 1558, where in the presence of Cartoceto's magistrate and the area's notary 50 of the most representative and prominent people discussed the serious economic and financial situation into which the Cartoceto community was falling owing to the many recurring fiscal impositions. To stop the situation constantly worsening the community decided to acquire one or two oil mills in order to provide a secure income with which to pay the various taxes.

As far back at the 16th century the oil was subjected to rigid supervision and there were various provisions aimed at keeping track of the olives pouring into the mills and so forestalling speculative hoarding and smuggling. Successive decrees required declaration of the oil just extracted and also of old oil and the place where it was stored. It was made compulsory to keep at the mills dated books with progressive numbers and to enter on one side the olives brought and the presser's name and on the other the quantity of oil produced. For offenders there was a fine of 25 scudi and other penalties. After pressing a note of the oil had to be sent to the criminal chancery at Fano.

Despite the vicissitudes the Cartoceto community has undergone interest in the olive and its cultivation has always been high and establishment of the 'Olive and olive oil fair and market', held in the month of November since 1977, which arouses great interest and is highly attended, is the most conspicuous manifestation of this.

4.7. Inspection body

Name: Agroqualita' s.r.l.

Address: Via Montebello, 8 — I-00185 Roma

4.8. Labelling

Olio extra vergine di oliva 'Cartoceto' Denominazione di Origine Protetta

The name must appear on the label in clear indelible lettering coloured in strong contrast to the label colour and markedly distinct from the other indications on the label.

The oil must be sold for consumption in glass containers of capacity not exceeding 5 litres.

EC No: IT/00292/31.01.2003.

Date of receipt of full application: 17 November 2003.

Authorisation for State aid pursuant to Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty

Cases where the Commission raises no objections

(2004/C 41/03)

(Text with EEA relevance)

Date of adoption of the decision: 15.7.2003

Member State: Greece

Aid No: N 24/03

Title: Improvement of industrial areas

Objective: Regional development

Budget: EUR 100 million for the entire period 2003 to 2006

Aid intensity or amount: Regional aid intensity ceilings as laid down in the Greek regional aid map for the period 2000 to 2006

Duration: Until 31 December 2006

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Date of adoption of the decision: 10.12.2003

Member State: United Kingdom

Aid No: N 353/03

Title: Support for film and television production in Northern Ireland — Northern Ireland Film Production Fund

Objective: Film production

Legal basis: Industrial Development (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 and the Guidelines for the Northern Ireland Film and Television Commission for the support for film and television production in Northern Ireland (to be finalised)

Budget: GBP 1 835 annually

Aid intensity or amount: Not exceeding 50 %

Duration: To the end of 2006

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Date of adoption of the decision: 10.12.2003

Member State: Italy

Aid No: N 810/02

Title: Incentive Scheme for Railway Freight Transport — Article 38 of Law No 166 of 1 August 2002

Objective: To reduce the competitive disadvantage of rail freight transport in comparison with road transport. In particular, the aid scheme intends to encourage the rail transport of goods and to achieve a tariff reduction system for rail transport services

Legal basis: Articolo 38 della Legge 1º agosto 2002 n. 166 «Disposizioni in materia di trasporto ferroviario e interventi per lo sviluppo del trasporto ferroviario di merci» (in appresso «la Legge»)

L'articolo 38 della Legge è applicato dal progetto di decreto «Regolamento recante la disciplina delle agevolazioni tariffarie in materia di servizi di trasporto ferroviario di passeggeri e dell'incentivazione del trasporto ferroviario combinato, accompagnato e di merci pericolose»

Budget: A Fund of EUR 487,5 million will be established for the three year-period

Duration: 2003 to 2005

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Authorisation for State aid pursuant to Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty

Cases where the Commission raises no objections

(2004/C 41/04)

Date of adoption of the decision: 21.1.2004

Member State: United Kingdom (Wales)

Aid No: N 696/02

Title: Meat Generic Advertising (Wales) Scheme

Objective: The objective of the scheme is to advertise on a generic basis the advantages of eating red meat and red meat products and therefore to increase consumption. The advertising will take place in the United Kingdom, in the European Union outside the United Kingdom, and in third countries

Legal basis: Agriculture Act 1967 (as amended); Welsh Development Agency Act 1975 (as amended)

Budget: GBP 6,25 million (EUR 8,9 million

Aid intensity or amount: Parafiscal levies will always finance at least 50 % of the budget

Duration: Date of approval of the Commission until 31 March 2005

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Date of adoption of the decision: 21.1.2004

Member State: United Kingdom (Scotland)

Aid No: N 230/03

Title: Meat Quality Advertising (Scotland) Scheme

Objective: The objective of the scheme is to advertise the advantages of eating quality red meat and red meat products which comply with quality specifications. Advertising will take place in the United Kingdom, in the European Union outside the United Kingdom, and in non-member countries

Legal basis: Agriculture Act 1967 (as amended); Scotland Act 1998 (Cross-Border Public Authorities) (Adaptation of Functions etc.) (Amendment) Order 2002 No 2636

Budget: GBP 15 million (EUR 21,7 million)

Aid intensity or amount: Parafiscal levies will always finance at least 50 % of the budget

Duration: Five years from the date of approval of the Commission

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Date of adoption of the decision: 21.1.2004

Member State: The Netherlands

Aid No: N 344/B/99

Title: Program Management (Change of function)

Objective: Compensating farmers for the loss of value of farmland turned into nature area or non-commercial woodland

Legal basis: Kaderwet LNV-subsidies

Budget:

	(Mio. EUR)						
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2018	
Change of function	0,54	0,81	0,91	0,99	1,50	2,50	

Aid intensity or amount: 100 %

Duration: Indefinite

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Date of adoption of the decision: 21.1.2004

Member State: Germany

Aid No: N 571/02

C 41/8

Title: Promotion Fund Law

Objective: To promote the marketing and development of German agricultural and forestry productions by researching and developing markets in Germany and abroad. The measure also aims to promote the quality and safety of products, and to gear them more towards market needs. It supports market research and monitoring activities

Legal basis: Gesetz über die Errichtung eines zentralen Fonds zur Absatzförderung der deutschen Land- und Forstwirtschaft (Absatzfondsgesetz)

Budget: EUR 109,5 million per year

Aid intensity or amount: The support totals around EUR 100,5 million per year for the CMA and EUR 9 million per year for the ZMP

Duration: Until 31.12.2008

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Date of adoption of the decision: 21.1.2004

Member State: Germany (Niedersachsen)

Aid No: N 639/02

Title: Restructuring aid for the firm Brennecke

Objective: To facilitate the restructuring of a firm which has got into financial difficulties as a result of the BSE crisis. The restructuring is part of a plan to restore the long-term viability of the firm

Legal basis: Allgemeine Bürgschaftsrichtlinien des Landes Niedersachsen

Budget: Maximum of EUR 920 000

Aid intensity or amount: Variable

Duration: Until 31.12.2008

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids

Amendment to the list published pursuant to Article 20 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 884/2001 on the accompanying documents for the carriage of wine products and the relevant records to be kept

(2004/C 41/05)

AUTHORITIES COMPETENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING WINE-SECTOR PRODUCTS AND KEEPING THE WINE-SECTOR RECORDS

(Official Journal of the European Union C 306 of 16 December 2003, p. 1)

On page 70, the list 'Portugal' should be replaced by:

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(2004/C 41/06)

LIST OF AUTHORITIES COMPETENT TO CERTIFY ORIGIN IN DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE TRANSPORT OF QUALITY WINES PSR AND TABLES WINES WITH INDICATION OF ORIGIN

(Official Journal of the European Union C 306 of 16. December 2003, p. 78)

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Prior notification of a concentration

(Case COMP/M.3364 — ONO/Hidrocantábrico/Retecal)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(2004/C 41/07)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 9 February 2004 the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 (¹), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97 (²), by which the undertaking Grupo Corporativo ONO, SA ('ONO', Spain) and Hidroeléctrica del Cantábrico SA ('Hidrocantábrico') acquire(s) within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Regulation joint control of the undertaking Retecal Sociedad Operadora de Telecomunicaciones de Castilla y León SA ('Retecal', Spain) by way of public bid announced on 2 December 2003.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- ONO: Cable telecommunications services,

- Hidrocantábrico: Generation, distribution and supply of electricity in Spain; distribution and supply of gas and telecommunications in Asturias (Spain),

- Retecal: Cable telecommunications services in the Region of Castilla y León (Spain).

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified concentration could fall within the scope of Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 (³), it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the notice.

4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference COMP/M.3364 — ONO/Hidrocantábrico/Retecal, to:

European Commission, Directorate-General for Competition, Merger Registry, J-70, B-1049 Brussels.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 395, 30.12.1989, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 257, 21.9.1990, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 180, 9.7.1997, p. 1; corrigendum: OJ L 40, 13.2.1998, p. 17.

^{(&}lt;sup>3</sup>) OJ C 217, 29.7.2000, p. 32.

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case COMP/M.3369 — EuRailCo/TransRegio)

Candidate case for simplified procedure

(2004/C 41/08)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 9 February 2004 the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 (¹), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1310/97 (²), by which the undertaking EuRailCo GmbH (Germany) controlled by RATP Développement SA (France) and Transdev SA (France) and Rheinische Bahngesellschaft AG (Germany) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Regulation, control of the whole of the undertaking TransRegio Deutsche Regionalbahn GmbH (Germany) by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- EuRailCo, RATP, Transdev: short-distance public passenger transport,

- Rheinische Bahngesellschaft: short-distance public passenger transport,

- TransRegio: short-distance public passenger transport.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified concentration could fall within the scope of Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89 (³), it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the notice.

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