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II

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case M.8002 — Apollo Management/Açoreana Seguros)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2016/C 187/01)

On 20 May 2016, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾. The full text of the decision is available only in the English language and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- In the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (<http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/>). This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes.
- In electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html?locale=en>) under document number 32016M8002. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

IV

(Notices)

NOTICES FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND
AGENCIES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates ⁽¹⁾

25 May 2016

(2016/C 187/02)

1 euro =

Currency	Exchange rate	Currency	Exchange rate		
USD	US dollar	1,1146	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,4608
JPY	Japanese yen	122,79	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	8,6534
DKK	Danish krone	7,4369	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,6488
GBP	Pound sterling	0,75925	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,5372
SEK	Swedish krona	9,2651	KRW	South Korean won	1 317,16
CHF	Swiss franc	1,1049	ZAR	South African rand	17,4749
ISK	Iceland króna		CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	7,3136
NOK	Norwegian krone	9,2945	HRK	Croatian kuna	7,4968
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	15 203,70
CZK	Czech koruna	27,028	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,5711
HUF	Hungarian forint	314,29	PHP	Philippine peso	52,109
PLN	Polish zloty	4,4205	RUB	Russian rouble	73,2362
RON	Romanian leu	4,5091	THB	Thai baht	39,768
TRY	Turkish lira	3,2884	BRL	Brazilian real	3,9681
AUD	Australian dollar	1,5475	MXN	Mexican peso	20,5022
			INR	Indian rupee	75,1000

⁽¹⁾ Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

Notice of invitation to tender for the buying-in of skimmed milk powder by the paying agencies

(2016/C 187/03)

1. A tendering procedure for the buying-in of skimmed milk powder by the paying agencies has been opened by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/826 ⁽¹⁾. The applicable provisions are laid down in Section III of Chapter I of Title II of Commission Regulation (EU) No 1272/2009 ⁽²⁾.
2. The time limit for the submission of tenders for the first individual invitation to tender shall be **7 June 2016**.
3. Tenders shall be submitted to the paying agencies. The addresses of the paying agencies are available on the European Commission website: http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/milk/policy-instruments/index_en.htm

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 137, 26.5.2016, p. 19.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EU) No 1272/2009 of 11 December 2009 laying down common detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards buying-in and selling of agricultural products under public intervention (OJ L 349, 29.12.2009, p. 1).

NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

List of competent authorities the duly authorised staff of which shall have access to enter, amend, delete or consult data in the Visa Information System (VIS)

(2016/C 187/04)

The present consolidated list is published by the European Commission in accordance with Article 6(3) of Regulation (EC) No 767/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 concerning the Visa Information System (VIS) and the exchange of data between Member States on short-stay visas (VIS Regulation) ⁽¹⁾, based on the lists of authorities communicated by Member States by 15 March 2014.

In the annexed tables the references (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) correspond to the following:

- (1) Central visa authority/authorities and authority/authorities having central responsibility for issuing visas at the border in the Member State concerned.
- (2) Authority/authorities having central responsibility for checks at external border crossing points in accordance with the Schengen Borders Code ⁽²⁾ in the Member State concerned.
- (3) Authority/authorities having central responsibility for checks within the territory of the Member State concerned.
- (4) Authority/authorities having central responsibility for the determination of the Member State responsible for examining an asylum application in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 343/2003 ⁽³⁾ and the examination of asylum applications in the Member State concerned.
- (5) National authority considered as controller in accordance with Article 2(d) of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁴⁾ and having central responsibility for the processing of data by the Member State concerned.

BELGIUM:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Home Affairs Federal Public Service, Aliens Office (<i>Service public fédéral Intérieur (SPF), Office des Etrangers/Federale Overheidsdiensten Binnenlandse Zaken (FOD), Dienst Vreemdelingenzaken</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Home Affairs Federal Public Service, Integrated Police (Federal Police – Local Police) (<i>Service public fédéral Intérieur (SPF), Police Intégrée (Police Fédérale – Police Locale)/Federale Overheidsdiensten Binnenlandse Zaken (FOD), Geïntegreerde Politie (Federale Politie – Lokale Politie)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Home Affairs Federal Public Service, Aliens Office (<i>Service public fédéral Intérieur (SPF), Office des Etrangers/Federale Overheidsdiensten Binnenlandse Zaken (FOD), Dienst Vreemdelingenzaken</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 60.

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) (OJ L 105, 13.4.2006, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 343/2003 of 18 February 2003 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an asylum application lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national (OJ L 50, 25.2.2003, p. 1).

⁽⁴⁾ Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (OJ L 281, 23.11.1995, p. 31).

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(4)	— Home Affairs Federal Public Service, Aliens Office (<i>Service public fédéral Intérieur (SPF), Office des Etrangers/Federale Overheidsdiensten Binnenlandse Zaken (FOD), Dienst Vreemdelingenzaken</i>) — Office of the Commissioner General for Refugees and Stateless Persons (<i>Commissariat Général aux Réfugiés et aux Apatrides/ Commissariaat-Generaal voor de Vluchtelingen en de Staatlozen</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Home Affairs Federal Public Service, Aliens Office (<i>Service public fédéral Intérieur (SPF), Office des Etrangers/Federale Overheidsdiensten Binnenlandse Zaken (FOD), Dienst Vreemdelingenzaken</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

CZECH REPUBLIC:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic (<i>Ministerstvo zahraničních věcí České republiky</i>) — Directorate of the Alien Police Service (<i>Ředitelství služby cizinecké policie</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Directorate of the Alien Police Service (<i>Ředitelství služby cizinecké policie</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Police of the Czech Republic (<i>Policie České republiky</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic (<i>Ministerstvo vnitra České republiky</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Police of the Czech Republic (<i>Policie České republiky</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

DENMARK:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Udenrigsministeriet</i>) — Immigration Service (<i>Udlændingestyrelsen</i>) — Ministry of Justice (<i>Justitsministeriet</i>) — National Police (<i>Rigspolitiet</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— National Police (<i>Rigspolitiet</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— National Police (<i>Rigspolitiet</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — National Police (<i>Rigspolitiet</i>) — Ministry of Justice (<i>Justitsministeriet</i>) — Immigration Service (<i>Udlændingestyrelsen</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Justice (<i>Justitsministeriet</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

GERMANY:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Federal Foreign Office (<i>Auswärtiges Amt</i>) — Federal Police Headquarters (<i>Bundespolizeipräsidium</i>) — Bavarian Ministry of the Interior, Building and Transport (<i>Bayerisches Staatsministerium des Innern, für Bau und Verkehr</i>) — Authority for the Interior and Sport of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg (<i>Behörde für Inneres und Sport der Freien und Hansestadt Hamburg</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Federal Police Headquarters (<i>Bundespolizeipräsidium</i>) — Bavarian Ministry of the Interior, Building and Transport (<i>Bayerisches Staatsministerium des Innern, für Bau und Verkehr</i>) — Authority for the Interior and Sport of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg (<i>Behörde für Inneres und Sport der Freien und Hansestadt Hamburg</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Federal Police Headquarters (<i>Bundespolizeipräsidium</i>) — Baden-Württemberg Ministry of the Interior (<i>Innenministerium des Landes Baden-Württemberg</i>) — Bavarian Ministry of the Interior, Building and Transport (<i>Bayerisches Staatsministerium des Innern, für Bau und Verkehr</i>) — Berlin Senate Administration for the Interior and Sport (<i>Senatsverwaltung für Inneres und Sport des Landes Berlin</i>) — Brandenburg Ministry of the Interior (<i>Ministerium des Innern des Landes Brandenburg</i>) — Senator for the Interior and Sport of the Free and Hanseatic City of Bremen (<i>Der Senator für Inneres und Sport der Freien Hansestadt Bremen</i>) — Authority for the Interior and Sport of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg (<i>Behörde für Inneres und Sport der Freien und Hansestadt Hamburg</i>) — Hesse Ministry of the Interior and Sport (<i>Hessisches Ministerium des Innern und für Sport</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania Ministry of the Interior and Sports (<i>Ministerium für Inneres und Sport des Landes Mecklenburg-Vorpommern</i>) — Lower Saxony Ministry of the Interior and Sport (<i>Niedersächsisches Ministerium für Inneres und Sport</i>) — North Rhine-Westphalia Ministry of the Interior and Municipal Affairs (<i>Ministerium für Inneres und Kommunales des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen</i>) — Rhineland-Palatinate Ministry of Integration, Family, Children, Youth and Women (<i>Ministerium für Integration, Familie, Kinder, Jugend und Frauen des Landes Rheinland-Pfalz</i>) — Rhineland-Palatinate Ministry of the Interior, Sport and Infrastructure (<i>Ministerium des Innern, für Sport und Infrastruktur des Landes Rheinland-Pfalz</i>) — Saarland Ministry of the Interior and Sports (<i>Ministerium für Inneres und Sport des Saarlandes</i>) — Ministry of the Interior of Saxony (<i>Sächsisches Staatsministerium des Innern</i>) — Saxony-Anhalt Ministry of the Interior and Sports (<i>Ministerium für Inneres und Sport des Landes Sachsen-Anhalt</i>) — Schleswig-Holstein Ministry of the Interior (<i>Innenministerium des Landes Schleswig-Holstein</i>) — Thuringia Ministry of the Interior (<i>Thüringer Innenministerium</i>) 	
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (<i>Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge</i>) — Federal Police Headquarters (<i>Bundespolizeipräsidium</i>) (only Article 21 of the VIS Regulation) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Federal Foreign Office (<i>Auswärtiges Amt</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

ESTONIA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Välisministeerium</i>) — Police and Border Guard Board (<i>Politsei- ja Piirivalveamet</i>) — Internal Security Service (<i>Kaitsepolitseiamet</i>) — Northern Prefecture (<i>Põhja Prefektuur</i>) — Eastern Prefecture (<i>IDA Prefektuur</i>) — Southern Prefecture (<i>Lõuna Prefektuur</i>) — Western Prefecture (<i>Lääne Prefektuur</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Police and Border Guard Board (<i>Politsei- ja Piirivalveamet</i>) — Northern Prefecture (<i>Põhja Prefektuur</i>) — Eastern Prefecture (<i>IDA Prefektuur</i>) — Southern Prefecture (<i>Lõuna Prefektuur</i>) — Western Prefecture (<i>Lääne Prefektuur</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Police and Border Guard Board (<i>Politsei- ja Piirivalveamet</i>) — Internal Security Service (<i>Kaitsepolitseiamet</i>) — Northern Prefecture (<i>Põhja Prefektuur</i>) — Eastern Prefecture (<i>IDA Prefektuur</i>) — Southern Prefecture (<i>Lõuna Prefektuur</i>) — Western Prefecture (<i>Lääne Prefektuur</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Police and Border Guard Board (<i>Politsei- ja Piirivalveamet</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior (<i>Siseministeerium</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

GREECE:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών</i>) — Aliens' Directorate of the Hellenic Police (<i>Διεύθυνση Αλλοδαπών του Αρχηγείου Ελληνικής Αστυνομίας</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Aliens' Directorate of the Hellenic Police (<i>Διεύθυνση Αλλοδαπών του Αρχηγείου Ελληνικής Αστυνομίας</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Aliens' Directorate of the Hellenic Police (<i>Διεύθυνση Αλλοδαπών του Αρχηγείου Ελληνικής Αστυνομίας</i>) — National Intelligence Service (<i>Εθνική Υπηρεσία Πληροφοριών</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Public Order and Citizen Protection, Aliens' Directorate of the Hellenic Police, Asylum Service (<i>Υπουργείο Δημόσιας Τάξης και Προστασίας του Πολίτη, Διεύθυνση Αλλοδαπών του Αρχηγείου της Ελληνικής Αστυνομίας, Υπηρεσία Ασύλου</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

SPAIN:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Directorate-General of Consular and Immigration Affairs – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (<i>Dirección General de Asuntos Consulares y Migratorios – Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores y de Cooperación</i>) — General Aliens and Borders Department – Ministry of the Interior (<i>Comisaría General de Extranjería y Fronteras – Ministerio del Interior</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — General Aliens and Borders Department – Ministry of the Interior (<i>Comisaría General de Extranjería y Fronteras – Ministerio del Interior</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — General Aliens and Borders Department – Ministry of the Interior (<i>Comisaría General de Extranjería y Fronteras – Ministerio del Interior</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Asylum and Refugee Office – Ministry of the Interior (<i>Oficina de Asilo y Refugio – Ministerio del Interior</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Directorate-General of Consular and Immigration Affairs – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (<i>Dirección General de Asuntos Consulares y Migratorios – Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores y de Cooperación</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

FRANCE:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Foreign affairs and international development (<i>Ministère des Affaires étrangères et du développement international</i>) — Ministry of the Interior (<i>Ministère de l'Intérieur</i>) — Ministry of finances and public accounts — Directorate-General of Customs and Indirect Taxes (<i>Ministère des Finances et des comptes publics — Direction générale des douanes et des droits indirects</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior (<i>Ministère de l'Intérieur</i>) — Ministry of finances and public accounts — Directorate-General of Customs and Indirect Taxes (<i>Ministère des Finances et des comptes publics – Direction générale des douanes et des droits indirects</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior (<i>Ministère de l'Intérieur</i>) — Ministry of finances and public accounts — Directorate-General of Customs and Indirect Taxes (<i>Ministère des Finances et des comptes publics – Direction générale des douanes et des droits indirects</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior (<i>Ministère de l'Intérieur</i>) — French Office for Immigration and Integration (<i>Office Français de l'Immigration et de l'Intégration</i>) — French Office for the Protection of Refugees and Stateless Persons (<i>Office Français de Protection des Réfugiés et Apatrides</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior (<i>Ministère de l'Intérieur</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

ITALY:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Directorate-General for Italians Abroad and Immigration Policies – Department VI (Visa Centre) (<i>Ministero degli Affari Esteri — Direzione Generale per gli Italiani all'Estero e le Politiche Migratorie – Ufficio VI (Centro Visti)</i>) — Ministry of the Interior – Central Directorate for Immigration and Border Police – Border and Immigration Police Service (<i>Ministero dell'Interno – Direzione Centrale dell'Immigrazione e della Polizia delle Frontiere – Servizio Polizia delle Frontiere e degli Stranieri</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior – Central Directorate for Immigration and Border Police – Border and Immigration Police Service (<i>Ministero dell'Interno – Direzione Centrale dell'Immigrazione e della Polizia delle Frontiere – Servizio Polizia delle Frontiere e degli Stranieri</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior – Central Directorate for Immigration and Border Police – Border and Immigration Police Service (<i>Ministero dell'Interno – Direzione Centrale dell'Immigrazione e della Polizia delle Frontiere – Servizio Polizia delle Frontiere e degli Stranieri</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of the Interior – Department for Civil Liberties and Immigration (<i>Ministero dell'Interno — Dipartimento per le Libertà Civili e l'Immigrazione</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Ministero degli Affari Esteri</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

LATVIA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (<i>Pilsonības un migrācijas lietu pārvalde</i>) — Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Ārlietu ministrija</i>) — State Border Guard (<i>Valsts robežsardze</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(2)	— State Border Guard (<i>Valsts robežsardze</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (<i>Pilsonības un migrācijas lietu pārvalde</i>) — State Border Guard (<i>Valsts robežsardze</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (<i>Pilsonības un migrācijas lietu pārvalde</i>) — State Border Guard (<i>Valsts robežsardze</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (<i>Pilsonības un migrācijas lietu pārvalde</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

LITHUANIA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Lietuvos Respublikos užsienio reikalų ministerija</i>) — Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerija</i>) — State Border Protection Service under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Valstybės sienos apsaugos tarnyba prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— State Border Protection Service under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Valstybės sienos apsaugos tarnyba prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Department of Migration under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Migracijos departamentas prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>) — State Border Protection Service under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Valstybės sienos apsaugos tarnyba prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>) — Police Department under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Policijos departamentas prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Department of Migration under the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania (<i>Migracijos departamentas prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Information Technology and Communications Department under the Ministry of the Interior (<i>Informatikos ir ryšių departamentas prie Lietuvos Respublikos vidaus reikalų ministerijos</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

LUXEMBOURG:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs (<i>Ministère des Affaires étrangères et européennes</i>) — Ministry of Home Security (<i>Ministère de la Sécurité intérieure</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Ministry of Home Security (<i>Ministère de la Sécurité intérieure</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Ministry of State (<i>Ministère d'Etat</i>)	In accordance with Article 19
	— Ministry of Home Security (<i>Ministère de la Sécurité intérieure</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
	— Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs (<i>Ministère des Affaires étrangères et européennes</i>)	
	— Ministry of Finance (<i>Ministère des Finances</i>)	
(4)	— Ministry of Home Security (<i>Ministère de la Sécurité intérieure</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs (<i>Ministère des Affaires étrangères et européennes</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

HUNGARY:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Office of Immigration and Nationality (<i>Bevándorlási és Állampolgársági Hivatal</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
	— Consular Offices/Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Konzulátusok/ Külgyminisztérium</i>)	
	— Police (<i>Rendőrség</i>)	
(2)	— Police (<i>Rendőrség</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Police (<i>Rendőrség</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
	— Office of Immigration and Nationality (<i>Bevándorlási és Állampolgársági Hivatal</i>)	
(4)	— Office of Immigration and Nationality (<i>Bevándorlási és Állampolgársági Hivatal</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Office of Immigration and Nationality (<i>Bevándorlási és Állampolgársági Hivatal</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

MALTA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry for Justice, Culture and Local Government – Central Visa Unit (<i>Ministeru għall-Ġustizzja, Kultura u Gvern Lokali – Taqsima Ċentrali tal-Visa</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
	— Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security – Malta Police Force – Immigration Section (<i>Ministeru għall-Intern u s-Sigurta' Nazzjonali — Pulizija ta' Malta – Taqsima tal-Immigrazzjoni</i>)	

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security – Malta Police Force – Immigration Section (<i>Ministeru għall-Intern u s-Sigurta' Nazzjonali — Pulizija ta' Malta – Taqsima tal-Immigrazzjoni</i>) — Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security – Malta Security Services (<i>Ministeru għall-Intern u s-Sigurta' Nazzjonali</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security – Malta Police Force – Immigration Section (<i>Ministeru għall-Intern u s-Sigurta' Nazzjonali — Pulizija ta' Malta – Taqsima tal-Immigrazzjoni</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security – The Office of the Refugee Commissioner (<i>Ministeru għall-Intern u s-Sigurta' Nazzjonali– Uffiċċju tal-Kummissarju għar-Refuġjati</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Ministry for Foreign Affairs (<i>Ministeru għall-Affarijiet Barranin</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

NETHERLANDS:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Minister for Foreign Affairs (<i>Minister van Buitenlandse Zaken</i>) And on behalf of the Minister for Foreign Affairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Immigration and Naturalisation Service (<i>Immigratie- en Naturalisatiedienst</i>) — Royal Military Constabulary (<i>Koninklijke Marechaussee</i>) — National Police (<i>Politie</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — State Secretary of Security and Justice and Minister for Migration (<i>Minister voor Migratie</i>) And on behalf of the State Secretary of Security and Justice and Minister for Migration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Royal Military Constabulary (<i>Koninklijke Marechaussee</i>) — National Police (<i>Politie</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — State Secretary of Security and Justice and Minister for Migration (<i>Minister voor migratie</i>) And on behalf of the State Secretary of Security and Justice and Minister for Migration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Immigration and Naturalisation Service (<i>Immigratie- en Naturalisatiedienst</i>) — Royal Military Constabulary (<i>Koninklijke Marechaussee</i>) — National Police (<i>Politie</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(4)	<p>— State Secretary of Security and Justice and Minister for Migration (<i>Minister voor migratie</i>)</p> <p>And on behalf of the State Secretary of Security and Justice and Minister for Migration:</p> <p>— Immigration and Naturalisation Service (<i>Immigratie- en Naturalisatiedienst</i>)</p> <p>— Royal Military Constabulary (<i>Koninklijke Marechaussee</i>)</p> <p>— National Police (<i>Politie</i>)</p>	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Minister for Foreign Affairs (<i>Minister van Buitenlandse Zaken</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

AUSTRIA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<p>— Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs (<i>Bundesministerium für europäische und internationale Angelegenheiten (BMeiA)</i>)</p> <p>— Federal Ministry of the Interior (<i>Bundesministerium für Inneres (BM.I)</i>)</p>	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Federal Ministry of the Interior (<i>Bundesministerium für Inneres (BM.I)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Federal Ministry of the Interior (<i>Bundesministerium für Inneres (BM.I)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Federal Ministry of the Interior (<i>Bundesministerium für Inneres (BM.I)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Federal Ministry of the Interior (<i>Bundesministerium für Inneres (BM.I)</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

POLAND:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<p>— Border Guards (<i>Straż Graniczna</i>)</p> <p>— Consul (<i>konsul</i>)</p> <p>— Provincial Governor (<i>wojewoda</i>)</p> <p>— Minister for Foreign Affairs (<i>minister właściwy do spraw zagranicznych</i>)</p> <p>— Head of the Office for Aliens (<i>Szef Urzędu do Spraw Cudzoziemców</i>)</p>	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<p>— Border Guards (<i>Straż Graniczna</i>)</p> <p>— Customs Service (<i>Służba Celna</i>)</p>	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(3)	— Border Guards (<i>Straż Graniczna</i>) — Police (<i>Policja</i>) — Customs Service (<i>Służba Celna</i>) — Provincial Governor (<i>wojewoda</i>) — Head of the Office for Aliens (<i>Szef Urzędu do Spraw Cudzoziemców</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Head of the Office for Aliens (<i>Szef Urzędu do Spraw Cudzoziemców</i>) — Council for Refugees (<i>Rada do Spraw Uchodźców</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Central Technical Authority — Commander in Chief of the Police (<i>Centralny organ techniczny – Komendant Główny Policji</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

PORTUGAL:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Directorate-General for Consular Affairs and Portuguese Communities and Directorate for Information Technologies (<i>Ministério dos Negócios Estrangeiros – Direção Geral dos Assuntos Consulares e Comunidades Portuguesas e Direção de Serviços de Cifra e Informática</i>); — Ministry of the Interior – Aliens and Borders Service (<i>Ministério da Administração Interna – Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Ministry of the Interior – Aliens and Borders Service (<i>Ministério da Administração Interna – Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Ministry of the Interior – Aliens and Borders Service (<i>Ministério da Administração Interna – Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Ministry of the Interior – Aliens and Borders Service (<i>Ministério da Administração Interna – Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Ministry of the Interior – Aliens and Borders Service (<i>Ministério da Administração Interna – Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras</i>)	In accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

SLOVENIA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Consular Department (<i>Ministrstvo za zunanje zadeve, Konzularni sektor</i>) — Police, Ministry of the Interior (<i>Policija, Ministrstvo za notranje zadeve</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Police, Ministry of the Interior (<i>Policija, Ministrstvo za notranje zadeve</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(3)	— Police, Ministry of the Interior (<i>Policija, Ministrstvo za notranje zadeve</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Ministry of the Interior, Internal Administrative Affairs, Migration and Naturalisation Directorate, International Protection Division (<i>Ministrstvo za notranje zadeve, Direktorat za upravne notranje zadeve, migracije in naturalizacijo, Sektor za mednarodno zaščito</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Ministrstvo za zunanje zadeve</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

SLOVAKIA:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Department of the Central Visa Authority of the Border and Alien Police Office of the Police Force Presidium (<i>Oddelenie centrálného vízového orgánu úradu hraničnej a cudzineckej polície prezídia Policajného zboru</i>) — Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic (<i>Ministerstvo zahraničných vecí a európskych záležitostí Slovenskej republiky</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Border and Alien Police Office of the Police Force Presidium (<i>Úrad hraničnej a cudzineckej polície prezídia Policajného zboru</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Border and Alien Police Office of the Police Force Presidium (<i>Úrad hraničnej a cudzineckej polície prezídia Policajného zboru</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Migration Office of the Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic (<i>Migračný úrad Ministerstva vnútra Slovenskej republiky</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic (<i>Ministerstvo zahraničných vecí a európskych záležitostí Slovenskej republiky</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

FINLAND:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry for Foreign Affairs (<i>Ulkoasiainministeriö/Utrikesministeriet</i>) — Finnish Border Guard (<i>Rajavartiolaitos/Gränsbevakningsväsendet</i>) — Customs (<i>Tulli/Tull</i>) — Police (<i>Poliisi/Polisen</i>) — Finnish Immigration Service (<i>Maahanmuuttovirasto/Migrationsverket</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(2)	— Finnish Border Guard (<i>Rajavartiolaitos/Gränsbevakningsväsendet</i>) — Customs (<i>Tulli/Tull</i>) — Police (<i>Poliisi/Polisen</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Finnish Border Guard (<i>Rajavartiolaitos/Gränsbevakningsväsendet</i>) — Customs (<i>Tulli/Tull</i>) — Police (<i>Poliisi/Polisen</i>) — Finnish Immigration Service (<i>Maahanmuuttovirasto/Migrationsverket</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Finnish Immigration Service (<i>Maahanmuuttovirasto/Migrationsverket</i>) — Finnish Border Guard (<i>Rajavartiolaitos/Gränsbevakningsväsendet</i>) — Police (<i>Poliisi/Polisen</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Ministry for Foreign Affairs (<i>Ulkoasiainministeriö/Utrikesministeriet</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

SWEDEN:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Ministry for Foreign Affairs (<i>Utrikesdepartementet</i>) — Migration Board (<i>Migrationsverket</i>) — Swedish Police Service (<i>Polismyndigheten</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Swedish Police Service (<i>Polismyndigheten</i>) — Swedish Coast Guard (<i>Kustbevakningen</i>) — Swedish Customs (<i>Tullverket</i>) — Migration Board (<i>Migrationsverket</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— Swedish Police Service (<i>Polismyndigheten</i>) — Swedish Coast Guard (<i>Kustbevakningen</i>) — Migration Board (<i>Migrationsverket</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Migration Board (<i>Migrationsverket</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Migration Board (<i>Migrationsverket</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

ICELAND:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Directorate of Immigration (<i>Útlendingastofnun</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— National Commissioner of Police (<i>Ríkislögreglustjórnin</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— National Commissioner of Police (<i>Ríkislögreglustjórnin</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Directorate of Immigration (<i>Útlendingastofnun</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Directorate of Immigration (<i>Útlendingastofnun</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

LIECHTENSTEIN:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Office for Immigration (<i>Ausländer- und Passamt</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— Not applicable — Liechtenstein does not have an external border	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— National Police Force (<i>Landespolizei</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Office for Immigration (<i>Ausländer- und Passamt</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Office for Immigration (<i>Ausländer- und Passamt</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

NORWAY:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	— Directorate of Immigration (<i>Utlendingsdirektoratet (UDI)</i>) — Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<i>Utenriksdepartementet (UD)</i>) — National Police Directorate (<i>Politidirektoratet (POD)</i>) — Immigration Appeals Board (<i>Utlendingsnemnda (UNE)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	— National Police Directorate (<i>Politidirektoratet (POD)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	— National Police Directorate (<i>Politidirektoratet (POD)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	— Directorate of Immigration (<i>Utlendingsdirektoratet (UDI)</i>) — Immigration Appeals Board (<i>Utlendingsnemnda (UNE)</i>)	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	— Directorate of Immigration (<i>Utlendingsdirektoratet (UDI)</i>)	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

SWITZERLAND:

Categories of authorities	Name of the authority/authorities	Purposes of access to the VIS
(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — State Secretariat for Migration (<i>Staatssekretariat für Migration/ Secrétariat d'Etat aux migrations/Segreteria di Stato della migrazione</i>) — Swiss Border Guard (<i>Schweizer Grenzwachtkorps/Corps suisse des gardes-frontière/Corpo delle guardie di confine svizzere</i>) — Cantonal police forces (<i>Die kantonalen Polizeibehörden/les polices cantonales/le polizie cantonali</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 15 and 17 of the VIS Regulation
(2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Swiss Border Guard (<i>Schweizer Grenzwachtkorps/Corps suisse des gardes-frontière/Corpo delle guardie di confine svizzere</i>) — Cantonal police forces (<i>Die kantonalen Polizeibehörden/les polices cantonales/le polizie cantonali</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 18 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Swiss Border Guard (<i>Schweizer Grenzwachtkorps/Corps suisse des gardes-frontière/Corpo delle guardie di confine svizzere</i>) — Cantonal police forces (<i>Die kantonalen Polizeibehörden/les polices cantonales/le polizie cantonali</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 19 and 20 of the VIS Regulation
(4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — State Secretariat for Migration (<i>Staatssekretariat für Migration/ Secrétariat d'Etat aux migrations/Segreteria di Stato della migrazione</i>) 	In accordance with Articles 21 and 22 of the VIS Regulation
(5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — State Secretariat for Migration (<i>Staatssekretariat für Migration/ Secrétariat d'Etat aux migrations/Segreteria di Stato della migrazione</i>) 	In Accordance with Article 41(4) of the VIS Regulation

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(Announcements)

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

EUROPEAN PERSONNEL SELECTION OFFICE (EPSO)

NOTICE OF OPEN COMPETITIONS

(2016/C 187/05)

The European Personnel Selection Office (EPSO) is organising the following open competitions:

EPSO/AD/323/16 — INVESTIGATORS (AD 7) for the following profiles:

- 1 — Investigators: EU expenditure, anti-corruption
- 2 — Investigators: Customs and trade, tobacco and counterfeit goods

EPSO/AD/324/16 — INVESTIGATORS (AD 9): Team leaders

The competition notice is published in 24 languages in *Official Journal of the European Union* C 187 A of 26 May 2016.

Further information can be found on the EPSO website: <http://blogs.ec.europa.eu/eu-careers.info/>

OTHER ACTS

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Publication of an application pursuant to Article 50(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs

(2016/C 187/06)

This publication confers the right to oppose the application pursuant to Article 51 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾.

SINGLE DOCUMENT

'KORČULANSKO MASLINOVO ULJE'

EU No: HR-PDO-0005-01351 — 1.7.2015

PDO (X) PGI ()

1. **Name(s)**

'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje'

2. **Member State or Third Country**

Croatia

3. **Description of the agricultural product or foodstuff**3.1. *Type of product*

Class 1.5. Oils and fats (butter, margarine, oils, etc.)

3.2. *Description of product to which the name in (1) applies*

'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' is an extra-virgin olive oil obtained directly from the fruit of the olive tree solely by mechanical means.

At the time of being placed on the market, 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' must have the following physico-chemical and organoleptic properties:

— free fatty acid content $\leq 0,6\%$;

— peroxide value ≤ 6 mmol O₂/kg;

— K232 $\leq 2,50$

— K270 $\leq 0,22$

— colour ranging from golden yellow to green;

— pronounced aroma of green fruit and olive leaves (median for 'fruity' $\geq 2,5$);

— pronounced and homogeneous medium to intense bitter and sharp taste with a lasting aftertaste (median for bitterness and sharpness ≥ 3).

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 343, 14.12.2012, p. 1.

3.3. *Feed (for products of animal origin only) and raw materials (for processed products only)*

The basic raw materials for producing 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' are olives of the indigenous cultivars 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica', either by themselves or in combination with each other and comprising at least 80 % of the product. Other olive cultivars grown in the geographical area defined under point 4 comprise no more than 20 % of all the olives processed to produce 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' and do not have a significant influence on the quality of the final product.

3.4. *Specific steps in production that must take place in the identified geographical area*

All stages of production of 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' (cultivation, harvest and processing of the olives) must take place in the defined geographical area referred to under point 4.

3.5. *Specific rules concerning slicing, grating, packaging, etc. of the product the registered name refers to*

Storage and bottling of the oil must also take place in the defined geographical area referred to under point 4 in order to preserve the specific organoleptic properties and quality of the product, which could be adversely affected by decanting. Each subsequent decanting of the oil outside the defined geographical area, or transport by sea over longer distances, given possible restricted transport connections between the island of Korčula and the mainland, could ultimately have an adverse effect on the quality of the oil. For these reasons the product cannot be bottled outside the defined geographical area. 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' is placed on the market in (dark) glass containers of a volume not exceeding 1 litre.

3.6. *Specific rules concerning labelling of the product the registered name refers to*

The harvest year must be indicated on the product label. Every container placed on the market must feature the common identifier. The design of the common identifier is shown below.



All users of the designation of origin who place the product on the market in accordance with its specification have the right to use the common identifier, under the same conditions.

4. **Concise definition of the geographical area**

The production area of 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' comprises the entire island of Korčula, i.e. the cadastral municipalities of Vela Luka, Blato, Smokvica, Čara, Račišće, Pupnat, Žrnovo, Korčula and Lumbarda.

To the west, the island is separated from the island of Hvar by the 15-kilometre-wide Korčula Channel, to the north from the Pelješac Peninsula by the 2,5-kilometre-wide Pelješac Channel, and to the south from the island of Lastovo by the 13-kilometre-wide Lastovo Channel.

5. **Link with the geographical area**

Specificity of the geographical area

The island of Korčula is dominated by craggy, mountainous terrain composed mainly of rock, with little arable land. The arable land has been cleared of rock and converted into terraces. The rock removed from the land is then used to build dry-stone walls which enclose the terraces. The dry-stone walls retain the fertile soil on the terraces; in other words, they prevent it from being washed away by rain. In that terraced fertile soil, enclosed by dry-stone walls, olive groves made up primarily of trees of the indigenous 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars are planted.

The main types of arable land can be divided into two groups: terraced regosols and field regosols. Regosols are most often composed of calcic cambisols and terra rossa.

The island of Korčula has a Mediterranean climate with mild winters and dry and hot summers. The high average temperatures are the result of high exposure to sunlight. Mean annual temperatures on the island of Korčula range between 15,6 °C and 16,8 °C. The hottest month is July, with an average temperature of 25,9 °C, whereas the coldest month is February, with an average temperature of 9,1 °C.

From the point of view of exposure to sunlight, Korčula is very well-suited to olive growing. July has the most hours of sunlight (373,7 or around 12 hours of sun a day), whereas December has the fewest (125,3 or around 4 hours a day).

In terms of annual precipitation, the climate of the island of Korčula is characteristically humid. The most precipitation falls in the colder part of the year, from October to March, when the average monthly precipitation ranges from 80 mm to 150 mm. The least amount of precipitation falls from June to August, ranging on average from 30 mm to 45 mm.

Human factors

The population of the island of Korčula has played the main role in forming the island's landscape. Olive growers have worked the craggy mountainous terrain, transforming it into terraced arable land and adapting it to the cultivation of olive trees enclosed within dry-stone walls. The difficulty of accessing the hill terraces precludes the use of large machinery. Harvesting is done by hand and with mechanical hand tools.

The island of Korčula has changed owners regularly since prehistoric times, so a multitude of historical events have influenced life and the development of cash crops on the island. An abundance of historical evidence testifies to the cultivation of olives and the production of olive oil on island of Korčula since the time of colonisation by the Ancient Greeks and under Roman and Venetian rule. Written sources dating from the time when Korčula came under Venetian rule mention that 'the Venetian government bought up oil at a very low price, which forced the inhabitants of the island to start smuggling it. Although strict penalties were introduced, figures show that oil from Korčula managed to travel even as far as Trieste.' (S. Dokoza, *Iz gospodarske i društvene povijesti Blata do XVIII. st.*, Zbornik radova, Blato, 2003).

Specificity of the product

The specificity of 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' stems from the assortment of indigenous olive cultivars 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' which make up 80 % of the olives on the island of Korčula.

In his scientific work (*Elajografija otoka Korčule* (1995), Pavle Bakarić states that the indigenous olive cultivars 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' differ from other varieties on the island of Korčula ('Velika Lastovka', 'Vrtušćica', 'Oblica') in terms of their morphological, biological and commercial characteristics. He also states that fresh olives from those two cultivars contain a greater proportion of oil (from 16,40 % to 24 %) than fresh olives of other cultivars.

The specificity of 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' stems from its aroma (reminiscent of green fruit and olive leaves) and taste (of homogeneous medium to intense bitterness and sharpness) resulting from its high share of total phenols, which are account for its sensory properties, i.e. bitterness and sharpness. This has been proven through research (M. Žanetić, D. Škevin, E. Vitanović, M. Jukić Špika and S. Perica, *Ispitivanje fenolnih spojeva i senzorski profil dalmatinskih djevičanskih maslinovih ulja*, Pomologia croatica vol. 17, 2011) which found that olive oil of the 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars contained a higher proportion of total phenols (more than 350 mg/kg) than that from the other cultivars analysed ('Oblica' and 'Levantinka'), which had a total phenol content of 161,15 mg/kg. It was also found that the 'Lastovka' cultivar has the largest proportion of hydroxytyrosols (214,32 mg/kg), and 'Drobnica' the largest proportion of tyrosols (84,37 mg/kg) of the cultivars analysed. Phenolic compounds in oil from the 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars give it its high oxidative stability and a long shelf life. The high proportion of phenolic compounds influences the bitterness and sharpness of 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' (median for bitterness and sharpness ≥ 3), and the balance between these two attributes is best expressed in the 'Drobnica' and 'Lastovka' cultivars, from which the abovementioned olive oil is produced.

Around 1 000 agricultural holdings and 10 olive mills are engaged in olive cultivation and olive oil production on the island of Korčula today. Olive growing is an important economic activity on the island, and the name 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' is still used today in everyday parlance, and on the market (delivery and shipping note, Presa d.o.o., Zlokić d.o.o., 2014).

Causal link

The specific pedo-climatic conditions of the island of Korčula and human activity play a role in creating the specificity of 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje'.

The local inhabitants transformed the island's craggy and mountainous terrain into soil terraces enclosed by dry-stone walls in order to cultivate it. The terraces have been planted with olive groves made up primarily of olive trees of the 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars. The walled terraces with olive trees constitute authentic features of the island's landscape.

Producers have selected the 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars as best suited to the specific pedo-climatic conditions. These represent 80 % of the olives grown on the island of Korčula.

Thanks to its geographical location, Korčula has predominantly very high daily temperatures with a very high number of sunlight hours. These favour the cultivation and growth of olives, especially those of the 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars, which are extremely drought-resistant and have a particularly long harvest period (from October to the beginning of February).

Hand-picking the olives lets local producers set the ideal time for harvesting them. A direct effect of this is olives with high phenol content, which give 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' a medium to intense bitterness and sharpness of taste.

The island of Korčula's specific climatic conditions, with its many hours of sunlight and low precipitation in the summer months, also lead directly to an increase in the phenol content of oils from the 'Lastovka' and 'Drobnica' cultivars. Analyses have shown this content to be greater than in other varieties tested, giving 'Korčulansko maslinovo ulje' its specific character.

Reference to publication of the product specification

(the second subparagraph of Article 6(1) of this Regulation)

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