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(Information)

INFORMATION FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration (Case M.10733 – CMA CGM / GEFCO)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2023/C 166/01)

On 25 July 2022, 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 English 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 policy' 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 32022M10733. EUR-Lex is the online point of access to European Union law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration

(Case M.10697 - ARAMCO OVERSEAS COMPANY / LOTOS SPV 1)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2023/C 166/02)

On 3 November 2022, 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 English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

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- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html?locale=en) under document number 32022M10697. EUR-Lex is the online point of access to European Union law.

IV

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates (¹) 10 May 2023

(2023/C 166/03)

1 euro =

	Currency	Exchange rate		Currency	Exchange rate
USD	US dollar	1,0950	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,4657
JPY	Japanese yen	148,18	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	8,5739
DKK	Danish krone	7,4478	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,7303
GBP	Pound sterling	0,86813	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,4541
SEK	Swedish krona	11,1938	KRW	South Korean won	1 449,79
CHF	Swiss franc	0,9771	ZAR	South African rand	20,5005
ISK	Iceland króna	149,90	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	7,5818
NOK	Norwegian krone	11,5485	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	16 150,98
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,8821
CZK	Czech koruna	23,419	PHP	Philippine peso	60,995
HUF	Hungarian forint	370,98	RUB	Russian rouble	
PLN	Polish zloty	4,5363	THB	Thai baht	36,858
RON	Romanian leu	4,9219	BRL	Brazilian real	5,4497
TRY	Turkish lira	21,3974	MXN	Mexican peso	19,3954
AUD	Australian dollar	1,6222	INR	Indian rupee	89,8185

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

New national side of euro coins intended for circulation

(2023/C 166/04)



National side of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by the Vatican City State

Euro coins intended for circulation have legal tender status throughout the euro area. For the purpose of informing the public and all parties who handle the coins, the Commission publishes a description of the designs of all new coins (1). In accordance with the Council conclusions of 10 February 2009 (2), euro-area Member States and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the European Union providing for the issuing of euro coins are allowed to issue commemorative euro coins intended for circulation, provided that certain conditions are met, particularly that only the 2-euro denomination is used. These coins have the same technical characteristics as other 2-euro coins, but their national face features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

Issuing country: Vatican City State

Subject of commemoration: The 150th anniversary of the death of Alessandro Manzoni

Description of the design: The design features Manzoni's portrait, a pen and the beginning of his masterpiece, 'I Promessi Sposi'. At the top, from left to right, in semi-circle, is the inscription 'CITTÀ DEL VATICANO'. At the bottom is the inscription 'Alessandro Manzoni' and underneath it the dates '1873°2023'. At the left is the mintmark 'R'.

The coin's outer ring depicts the 12 stars of the European flag.

Estimated number of coins to be issued: 82 500

Date of issue: May 2023

⁽¹) See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1 for the national faces of all the coins issued in 2002.

⁽²⁾ See the conclusions of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council of 10 February 2009 and the Commission Recommendation of 19 December 2008 on common guidelines for the national sides and the issuance of euro coins intended for circulation (OJ L 9, 14.1.2009, p. 52).

New national side of euro coins intended for circulation

(2023/C 166/05)



National side of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by the Vatican City State

Euro coins intended for circulation have legal tender status throughout the euro area. For the purpose of informing the public and all parties who handle the coins, the Commission publishes a description of the designs of all new coins (¹). In accordance with the Council conclusions of 10 February 2009 (²), euro-area Member States and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the European Union providing for the issuing of euro coins are allowed to issue commemorative euro coins intended for circulation, provided that certain conditions are met, particularly that only the 2-euro denomination is used. These coins have the same technical characteristics as other 2-euro coins, but their national face features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

Issuing country: Vatican City State

Subject of commemoration: The 5th Centenary of the death of Pietro Perugino

Description of the design: The design features Perugino's portrait and a particular of the Baptism, fresco in the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican. At the top right, in semi-circle, is the inscription 'CITTÀ DEL VATICANO'. At the bottom is the inscription 'PERUGINO' and underneath it the dates '1523°2023'. At the left is the mintmark 'R'.

The coin's outer ring depicts the 12 stars of the European flag.

Estimated number of coins to be issued: 82 500

Date of issue: May 2023

⁽¹) See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1 for the national faces of all the coins issued in 2002.

⁽²⁾ See the conclusions of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council of 10 February 2009 and the Commission Recommendation of 19 December 2008 on common guidelines for the national sides and the issuance of euro coins intended for circulation (OJ L 9, 14.1.2009, p. 52).

EUROPEAN PERSONNEL SELECTION OFFICE

Notice of cancellation of open competition EPSO/AST/154/22 – Assistants (AST 3) in the following fields: 1. Financial management 2. Accounting and treasury 3. Public procurement 4. Graphic design and visual content production 5. Social and digital media 6. Webmaster

(2023/C 166/06)

Open competition EPSO/AST/154/22 for which the notice was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (1) is cancelled.

The decision to cancel the competition has been taken by EPSO's Director as the Appointing Authority, in agreement with EPSO's governing body, the interinstitutional Management Board. The decision to cancel the competition was reached after a careful analysis, taking into consideration a number of accumulated difficulties surrounding the first phase of selection, in particular as regards the implementation of remotely proctored tests, including technical dysfunctions and data protection concerns. These difficulties compromised the expected overall standard of quality and the principle of equal treatment applicable to all candidates participating in the competition. It is therefore in the interest of the service not to continue the selection under competition EPSO/AST/154/22.

NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Commission information notice pursuant to Article 16(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community

Amendment to public service obligations in respect of scheduled air services

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2023/C 166/07)

Member State	France		
Routes concerned	Ajaccio – Paris Orly Ajaccio – Marseille Ajaccio – Nice Bastia – Paris Orly Bastia – Marseille Bastia – Nice Calvi – Paris Orly Figari – Paris Orly Calvi – Marseille Calvi – Nice Figari – Marseille Figari – Marseille Figari – Nice		
Original date of entry into force of the public service obligations	January 1986		
Date of entry into force of the amendment(s)	1 January 2024		
Address where the text and any information and/or documentation relating to the public service obligation can be obtained	The Corsican Assembly has laid down new public service obligations for scheduled air services between Paris (Orly), Marseille and Nice, on the one hand, and Ajaccio, Bastia, Calvi and Figari, on the other, and adopted the public service delegation principle for the operation of public air services in Corsica: https://www.isula.corsica/assemblea/downloads/ For further information, please contact: OFFICE DES TRANSPORTS DE LA CORSE A l'attention de Monsieur le Directeur général 19 avenue Georges Pompidou BP 501, Ajaccio Cedex (20186) FRANCE Tel. +33 495237130 Fax +33 495237130 Contact person: Jean-François Santoni Tel. +33 495237130 Email: contact@otc-corse.fr		

Commission notice pursuant to Article 17(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community

Invitation to tender in respect of the operation of scheduled air services in accordance with public service obligations

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2023/C 166/08)

Member State	France		
Routes concerned	Ajaccio – Paris Orly (lot 1) Ajaccio – Marseille (lot 2) Ajaccio – Nice (lot 3) Bastia – Paris Orly (lot 4) Bastia – Marseille (lot 5) Bastia – Nice (lot 6) Calvi – Paris Orly (lot 7) Figari – Paris Orly (lot 8) Calvi – Marseille and Calvi – Nice (lot 9) Figari – Marseille and Figari – Nice (lot 10)		
Period of validity of the contract	1 January 2024 – 31 December 2027		
Deadline for the submission of applications and tenders	10 July 2023 (12.00, Paris time)		
Address where the text of the invitation to tender and any relevant information and/or documentation related to the invitation to tender and the public service obligation can be obtained	OFFICE DES TRANSPORTS DE LA CORSE A l'attention de Monsieur le Directeur général 19 avenue Georges Pompidou BP 501, Ajaccio Cedex (20186) FRANCE Tel. +33 495237130 Fax +33 495201631 Link to electronic platform: https://www.achatpublic.com		

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(Announcements)

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Publication of an application for amendment of a specification for a name in the wine sector referred to in Article 105 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council

(2023/C 166/09)

This publication confers the right to oppose the application pursuant to Article 98 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (¹) within two months from the date of this publication.

REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT TO THE PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

'Terasele Dunării'

PGI-RO-A1077-AM01

Date of application: 8.4.2015

1. Rules applicable to the amendment

Article 105 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 - Non-minor modification

2. Description and reasons for amendment

2.1. Re-demarcating the defined geographical area to include new localities

The specification has been amended in respect of the demarcated area used to produce PGI wines; the geographical area has been expanded to include communes located in Giurgiu county (Hereşti, Izvoarele, Iepureşti) where there are grape plantations for the production of quality PGI wines and in which the climate conditions are similar to the PGI area owing to their proximity to the localities included in the demarcated area.

As there are wine ecosystem factors that favour the production of wines with the 'Terasele Dunării' indication in a number of localities designated wine-growing areas, these could be classified within the demarcated area of the geographical indication. The geographical area will be re-demarcated to include the localities referred to in the association's application, namely the villages of Hereşti, Izvoarele, Chiriacu, Dimitrie Cantemir, Petru Rareş, Radu Vodă, Valea Bujorului, Iepureşti, Valter Mărăcineanu, Chirculeşti, Băneşti, Stâlpu and Gorneni.

The wine ecosystem factors create very suitable conditions for the cultivation and optimal development of vines (average annual temperature, average monthly temperature, average monthly rainfall, annual rainfall, etc.) in plantations located within the communes of Hereşti, Iepureşti and Izvoarele. These factors are the same as those recorded throughout the entire 'Terasele Dunării' wine-growing region, which is why the aforementioned communes and their villages should be included in the demarcated area of this indication.

As a result, Chapter III of the Product Specification and Sections 6 and 8 of the Single Document have been amended.

SINGLE DOCUMENT

1. Name of product

Terasele Dunării

2. Geographical indication type

PGI - Protected Geographical Indication

3. Categories of grapevine products

1 Wine

4. Description of the wine(s)

1. Analytical and organoleptic characteristics - white wines

CONCISE TEXTUAL DESCRIPTION

The white wines have a clear appearance, a crystalline shine, a greenish-yellow to golden yellow colour, with a velvety, soft taste, and aromas of autumn fruits and vanilla in wines obtained from botrytised grapes, and notes of apple, pear, quince, tropical fruit (pineapple) and fresh butter in wines matured in wooden barrels. Young wines are characterised by marked freshness and fruitiness with aroma of acacia flowers, lime blossom, basil, or notes of citrus and green apple in wines with more acidity.

General analytical characteristics			
Maximum total alcoholic strength (in % volume)	15,0		
Minimum actual alcoholic strength (in % volume)	10,0		
Minimum total acidity	3,5 in milliequivalents per litre		
Maximum volatile acidity (in milliequivalents per litre)	18,0		
Maximum total sulphur dioxide (in milligrams per litre)	200		

2. Analytical and organoleptic characteristics - red wines

CONCISE TEXTUAL DESCRIPTION

The younger red wines have hints of violet and can be an intense ruby red (or ruby) after maturation in wooden barrels where the aroma is grassy. However, when matured in wooden barrels for longer, they form a bouquet with aromas of vanilla, chocolate and sometimes spices. Young wines have aromas of forest fruits (raspberries, strawberries, blackberries). Some young wines of a purple red colour also have aromas of well-ripened fruit such as plums, peaches and pears. Many wines matured in casks or wooden barrels are full-bodied with a mature bouquet of prunes and cinnamon, sometimes the wine may also take on hints of dark ruby when it is unctuous and acquire aromas of blackcurrants.

General analytical characteristics			
Maximum total alcoholic strength (in % volume)	15,0		
Minimum actual alcoholic strength (in % volume)	10,0		
Minimum total acidity	3,5 in grams per litre expressed as tartaric acid		
Maximum volatile acidity (in milliequivalents per litre)	20,0		
Maximum total sulphur dioxide (in milligrams per litre)	150		

3. Analytical and organoleptic characteristics - rosé wines

CONCISE TEXTUAL DESCRIPTION

The rosé wines have fresh aromas of forest fruit, cherries and fruitiness, they are pale pink to medium pink, perhaps very pale salmon, with a light texture, are mostly made as dry, semi-dry and balanced semi-sweet wines.

General analytical characteristics			
Maximum total alcoholic strength (in % volume)	15,00		
Minimum actual alcoholic strength (in % volume)	10,00		
Minimum total acidity	3,5 in grams per litre expressed as tartaric acid		
Maximum volatile acidity (in milliequivalents per litre)	18,0		
Maximum total sulphur dioxide (in milligrams per litre)	200		

5. Wine making practices

a. Essential oenological practices

No additional provisions.

- b. Maximum yields
- 1. Fetească regală, Fetească albă, Riesling italian, Băbească gri
- 17 000 kilograms of grapes per hectare
- 2. Crâmpoșie selecționată, Aligote, Riesling de Rhin, Pinot gris, Pinot blanc, Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Traminer roz
- 15 000 kilograms of grapes per hectare
- 3. Tămâioasă Românească, Muscat Ottonel, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot noir, Cabernet franc, Fetească neagră
- 15 000 kilograms of grapes per hectare
- 4. Băbească neagră, Syrah, Dornfelder, Rebo, Malbec, Negru de Drăgășani, Sangiovese
- 15 000 kilograms of grapes per hectare

- 5. white wines
- 135 hectolitres per hectare
- 6. red wines, rosé wines
- 120 hectolitres per hectare

6. Demarcated geographical area

— Teleorman County

The city of Zimnicea and component localities.

Giurgiu county

commune of Daia - villages of Daia, Dăița and Plopșoru.

commune of Greca - villages of Greaca and Puţu Grecii;

commune of Hotarele - villages of Hotarele and Isvoarele;

commune of Prundu - villages of Prundu and Puieni;

commune of Băneasa - village of Pietrele;

commune of Herești - village of Herești;

commune of Izvoarele - villages of Izvoarele, Chiriacu, Dimitrie Cantemir, Petru Rareș, Radu Vodă and Valea Bujorului;

commune of Iepurești - villages of Iepurești, Valter Mărăcineanu, Chirculești, Bănești, Stâlpu and Gorneni.

— Constanța County:

commune of Ostrov - villages of Ostrov, Almălău and Galița;

commune of Lipnița - villages Lipnița, Coslugea and Canlia;

commune of Băneasa - villages of Băneasa, Negureni and Făurei;

commune of Ion Corvin - villages of Ion Corvin, Crângu, Brebeni, Răriștea and Viile;

commune of Oltina - villages of Oltina, Satu Nou, Răzoarele and Strunga;

commune of Aliman - villages of Aliman, Dunăreni, Vlahii and Floriile.

Ialomiţa County

The municipality of Fetești and component districts.

Brăila County

The municipality of Însurăței and the villages of Lacu Rezii, Măru Roșu and Valea Călmățuiului

commune of Berteștii de Jos - villages of Berteștii de Jos and Spiru Haret;

commune of Victoria - village of Victoria;

commune of Bărăganu - village of Bărăganul

7. Main wine grapes variety(ies)

Aligoté B - Plant de trois, Plant gris, Vert blanc, Troyen blanc

Babeasca gri G

Băbească neagră N - Grossmuttertraube, Hexentraube, Crăcana, Rară neagră, Căldărușă, Serecsia

Cabernet Franc N

Cabernet Sauvignon N - Petit Vidure, Burdeos tinto

Chardonnay B - Gentil blanc, Pinot blanc Chardonnay

Crâmpoşie selecționată B

Fetească albă B - Păsărească albă, Poama fetei, Mädchentraube, Leanyka, Leanka

Fetească neagră N - Schwarze Mädchentraube, Poama fetei neagră, Păsărească neagră, Coada rândunicii

Fetească regală B - Königliche Mädchentraube, Königsast, Kiralyleanka, Dănăşană, Galbenă de Ardeal

Muscat Ottonel B - Muscat Ottonel blanc

Pinot Gris G - Affumé, Grauer Burgunder, Grauburgunder, Grauer Mönch, Pinot cendré, Pinot Grigio, Ruländer

Rebo N

Riesling italian B - Olasz Riesling, Olaszriesling, Welschriesling

Syrah N - Shiraz, Petit Syrah

Traminer Roz Rs - Rosetraminer, Savagnin Roz, Gewürztraminer

8. Description of the link(s)

8.1. Details of the geographical area

The landform mainly comprises terraces, and passage from one terrace to the next is made via a south-facing slope with no erosion. The terrace system is a distinct geomorphologic unit resulting from the accumulation of loessoid deposits and the continuing rise of the Câmpia Burnazului plains. The landscape comprises flat terraces and slopes, including terraces, up to the Danube valleys and also includes plains with scattered sands undulated by the wind.

Most of the plantations are located on the lower step and on the lower part of the slopes of the Danube embankment and the terraced slopes and torrential valleys. The region is characterised by a transitional continental temperate climate or an excessive continental temperate climate with high heat intensity and wide variations in air temperature influenced by the proximity of the Danube River and the lakes of the area, leading to the simultaneous accumulation of sugars, anthocyanins and tannins in proportions that are optimal for ensuring quality.

The main parameters characterising favourable climate and rainfall (monitored between 2010 and 2012) are:

- average annual temperature of 11.4 °C, with a variation of between 10.9 and 12.0 °C
- multi-annual monthly average temperature the highest in July (24.6 °C), the lowest in February (-3.0 °C,).
- absolute extreme temperatures in winter very rarely fall to -24.0 °C and the protected cultivation of vines is therefore not required.
- during the growing season, average rainfall is 342 mm (323.1 359.6 mm), about 100 mm more than the average of 250 mm, which is considered the minimum threshold for the cultivation of vines without irrigation.
- due to their intensity and frequency, wind patterns are dominated by winds from the north-east, followed by those from the east, south-west and west. During the year the frequency of the wind remains within narrow limits, changing under the influence of the general circulation of the atmosphere.
- due to its terrain, which is hypsometrically uniform, the average annual duration of sunlight oscillates around 2 250 hours, with an energy input of around 127 kcal/cm² per year.
- the annual warm period (April-September) receives the main share of sunlight (around 70 %) with an average of around 1 600 hours.

During the cold period (October to April), the average share of sunlight (around 650 hours) is much lower than during growing season, owing to the increase in the frequency of stratiform clouds and fog caused by thermal inversions.

8.2. Product details

The white wines are enhanced by aromas of autumn fruits and vanilla, tropical fruit, fresh butter in wines matured in wooden barrels; young wines are characterised by a marked freshness and fruitiness. They have floral aromas (acacia flowers, lime blossom) and citrus notes which have a lasting acidity.

The red wines have an intensity; maturation in wooden barrels creates grassy aromas and, if matured for a longer period of time, also lends the bouquet aromas of vanilla, chocolate and even spices. Rarely produced in the form of young wines, they have aromas of forest fruit, well-ripe fruit (plums, peaches, pears). Many wines matured in barrels are full-bodied with a mature bouquet of prunes and cinnamon. These wines become unctuous and velvety.

The rosé wines have fresh aromas of forest fruit, are pale pink, medium pink or pale salmon in colour, and are mostly made as dry, semi-dry and semi-sweet wines.

8.3. Causal interaction

For wines with the Terasele Dunării GI, the causal link between the area and the product, i.e. between the wines obtained and their geographical origin, is found in their specific quality.

Exposure to the hills provides optimal conditions, allowing the grapes to reach full maturity and to meet all the organoleptic and physico-chemical characteristics necessary to produce quality wines. The area falls within the climate group that characterises the 'Terasele Dunării' geographical indication; it has a warm temperate climate, moderately dry, and with very cold nights, whereas the hills' exposure to the sun gives more than 1 500 hours of sunlight, creating favourable conditions for the creation of aromas of apple, pear, quince, tropical fruit (pineapple), fruitiness, and aromas of acacia, lime blossom, basil, citrus fruits and green apple. The area has the potential to produce red and aromatic wines since the average annual temperature exceeds 10 °C and the temperature in the warmest month exceeds 21 °C.

The local continental temperate microclimate influences how the grapes ripen, which, together with the local sandyclay, diluvial and proluvial chernozem, creates favourable conditions for vines and makes it possible to obtain good yields on the terraces and gentle, south-facing slopes where there is optimum heat and light, as well as generous exposure shaping the fruity, floral aromas and producing a fresh taste in the young wines.

The area's climate results in a slow ripeness, allowing the grapes to accumulate sugars, lending a fruity aroma, particularly the primary aromas of the young white wines.

Illuvial clay chernozem results in wines with personality, it tends to maintain colder temperatures, retains moisture and produces velvety, round wines with lower acidity, with strong aromas of fruit (ripe red fruit) and flowers (acacia flowers, lime blossom). The climate is favourable to ensuring that maximum ripeness can be easily achieved, sugar accumulates slowly and the aromas are fully rounded.

9. Essential further conditions

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Link to the product specification

https://www.onvpv.ro/sites/default/files/caiet_sarcini_ig_terasele_dunarii_modif_cf_cererii_din_28.01.2015_notificar ii_16.05.2022_no_track_changes.pdf

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