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## I

(Acts adopted under the EC Treaty/Euratom Treaty whose publication is obligatory)

## REGULATIONS

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 919/2007**

**of 1 August 2007**

**establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 of 21 December 1994 on detailed rules for the application of the import arrangements for fruit and vegetables <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 4(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the

standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex thereto.

- (2) In compliance with the above criteria, the standard import values must be fixed at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The standard import values referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 3223/94 shall be fixed as indicated in the Annex hereto.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 August 2007.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 2007.

*For the Commission*

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and  
Rural Development*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 337, 24.12.1994, p. 66. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 756/2007 (OJ L 172, 30.6.2007, p. 41).

## ANNEX

**to Commission Regulation of 1 August 2007 establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables**

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code <sup>(1)</sup>	Standard import value
0702 00 00	MK	33,2
	TR	48,7
	XK	36,3
	XS	36,3
	ZZ	38,6
0707 00 05	TR	100,8
	ZZ	100,8
0709 90 70	TR	86,9
	ZZ	86,9
0805 50 10	AR	56,6
	UY	55,7
	ZA	65,0
	ZZ	59,1
0806 10 10	EG	154,6
	MA	146,6
	TR	169,3
	ZZ	156,8
0808 10 80	AR	89,8
	AU	160,4
	BR	82,5
	CL	97,8
	CN	68,3
	NZ	100,9
	US	102,0
	ZA	102,2
	ZZ	100,5
0808 20 50	AR	60,9
	CL	79,5
	NZ	154,7
	TR	143,7
	ZA	122,0
	ZZ	112,2
0809 20 95	CA	361,1
	TR	278,1
	US	346,3
	ZZ	328,5
0809 30 10, 0809 30 90	TR	156,1
	ZZ	156,1
0809 40 05	IL	110,0
	ZZ	110,0

<sup>(1)</sup> Country nomenclature as fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 (OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 920/2007****of 1 August 2007****amending Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 establishing implementing rules as to the suitability of the denomination of varieties of agricultural plant species and vegetable species**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/53/EC of 13 June 2002 on the common catalogue of varieties of agricultural plant species <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 9(6) thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 2002/55/EC of 13 June 2002 on the marketing of vegetable seed <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 9(6) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Directives 2002/53/EC and 2002/55/EC lay down general rules in relation to the suitability of variety denominations, by means of a reference to Article 63 of Council Regulation (EC) No 2100/94 of 27 July 1994 on Community plant variety rights <sup>(3)</sup>.

(2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 of 4 May 2000 establishing implementing rules as to the suitability of the denominations of varieties of agricultural plant species and vegetable species <sup>(4)</sup> establishes detailed rules for the application of certain criteria set out by Article 63 of Regulation (EC) No 2100/94, in particular in respect of the impediments for the designation of a variety denomination.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 1. Directive as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 268, 18.10.2003, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 33. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2006/124/EC (OJ L 339, 6.12.2006, p. 12).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 227, 1.9.1994, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 873/2004 (OJ L 162, 30.4.2004, p. 38).

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 108, 5.5.2000, p. 3. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1831/2004 (OJ L 321, 22.10.2004, p. 29).

(3) Since the adoption of Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 the definition of the term 'closely related species' used by the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants has evolved. The detailed rules established by Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 should be updated accordingly.

(4) Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Seeds and Propagating Material for Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 is amended as follows:

1. in Article 4, point (b) is replaced by the following:

'(b) "closely related species" shall have the meaning as defined in the Annex to this Regulation.';

2. the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 930/2000 is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall not apply to variety denominations which have been proposed by the applicant to the competent authority for their approval before the entry into force of this Regulation.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 2007.

*For the Commission*  
Markos KYPRIANOU  
*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX

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**Closely related species**

"Closely related species", as referred to in Article 4(b), shall have the following meaning:

- (a) if there is more than one class within a genus, the list of classes in point 1 shall apply;
- (b) if classes encompass more than one genus, the list of classes in point 2 shall apply;
- (c) as a general rule, for genera and species not covered by the list of classes in points 1 and 2, a genus is considered to be a class.

1. *Classes within a genus*

Classes	Scientific names
Class 1.1	<i>Brassica oleracea</i>
Class 1.2	<i>Brassica</i> other than <i>Brassica oleracea</i>
Class 2.1	<i>Beta vulgaris</i> — sugar beet, fodder beet
Class 2.2	<i>Beta vulgaris</i> — beetroot including Cheltenham beet, spinach beet or chard
Class 2.3	<i>Beta</i> other than classes 2.1 and 2.2.
Class 3.1	<i>Cucumis sativus</i>
Class 3.2	<i>Cucumis melo</i>
Class 3.3	<i>Cucumis</i> other than classes 3.1 and 3.2
Class 4.1	<i>Solanum tuberosum</i>
Class 4.2	<i>Solanum</i> other than class 4.1

2. *Classes encompassing more than one genus*

Classes	Scientific names
Class 201	<i>Secale</i> , <i>Triticale</i> , <i>Triticum</i>
Class 203 (*)	<i>Agrostis</i> , <i>Dactylis</i> , <i>Festuca</i> , <i>Festulolium</i> , <i>Lolium</i> , <i>Phalaris</i> , <i>Phleum</i> and <i>Poa</i>
Class 204 (*)	<i>Lotus</i> , <i>Medicago</i> , <i>Ornithopus</i> , <i>Onobrychis</i> , <i>Trifolium</i>
Class 205	<i>Cichorium</i> , <i>Lactuca</i>

(\*) Classes 203 and 204 are not solely established on the basis of closely related species'

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 921/2007****of 1 August 2007****derogating from Regulation (EC) No 1535/2003 for the 2007/08 marketing year as regards the final date for signing contracts for tomatoes for processing in Bulgaria and Romania**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty of Accession of Bulgaria and Romania,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Bulgaria and Romania, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Transitional measures should be adopted to allow producers and processors in Bulgaria and Romania to benefit from the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the markets in processed fruit and vegetable products <sup>(1)</sup>.
- (2) Under Commission Regulation (EC) No 1535/2003 of 29 August 2003 laying down detailed rules for applying Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/96 as regards the aid scheme for products processed from fruit and vegetables <sup>(2)</sup>, contracts for tomatoes must be signed, by 15 February, by processors approved by the competent authorities and producer organisations granted recognition or preliminary recognition. A deroga-

tion, for the 2007/08 marketing year only, should be made from the timetable for signing contracts laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1535/2003. Otherwise, and particularly in the case of tomatoes, the parties concerned would be unable to benefit from the aid scheme provided for in Regulation (EC) No 2201/96 during the marketing year in progress.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Products Processed from Fruit and Vegetables,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Notwithstanding Article 6(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1535/2003, in the case of tomatoes in Bulgaria and Romania during the 2007/08 marketing year only, contracts between producer organisations within the meaning of paragraph 1(1)(a) of that Regulation and approved processors shall be concluded by 31 July 2007 and at least 10 days before deliveries are to commence.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 2007.

*For the Commission*

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 297, 21.11.1996, p. 29. Regulation as last amended by the Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania and the adjustments to the Treaties on which the European Union is founded (OJ L 157, 21.6.2005, p. 203).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 218, 30.8.2003, p. 14. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1663/2005 (OJ L 267, 12.10.2005, p. 22).



**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 922/2007****of 1 August 2007****derogating from Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000 as regards transitional arrangement concerning the financial allocations for Bulgaria and Romania for the restructuring and conversion**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in wine <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 15 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Articles 16 and 17 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000 of 31 May 2000 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 on the common organisation of the market in wine, as regards production potential <sup>(2)</sup> lay down the rules on financing the restructuring and conversion scheme.

(2) For the 2007 financial year, funding allocations have been allocated to Bulgaria and Romania under Commission Decision 2007/381/EC of 1 June 2007 fixing, for the 2006/2007 marketing year and in respect of a certain number of hectares, an indicative financial allocation for Bulgaria and Romania for the restructuring and conversion of vineyards under Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 <sup>(3)</sup>.

(3) Article 16 and 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000 provide in particular that the appropriations allocated to a Member State whose corresponding expenditure was not incurred or validated by 30 June is to be reallocated to the Member States whose incurred and validated expenditure equals the allocation awarded to them. Those Articles also provide for the amounts awarded to the Member States to be reduced for the following financial year if the expenditure incurred by them on 30 June is less than 75 % of their initial allocations.

(4) Bulgaria and Romania, for which the 2006/2007 wine year is the first year of application of the restructuring and conversion scheme, are not able to use up most of their initial allocation by 30 June. Application of Articles

16 and 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000 would result in excessive reductions in the appropriations available to those Member States for restructuring and conversion in the current and the next financial year.

(5) Therefore, on a transitional basis, for the 2006/2007 wine year, these excessive reductions are to be avoided, by way of derogation from Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000, by allowing Bulgaria and Romania to pay out, by the end of the current financial year, 90 % of their initial allocation for the 2006/2007 wine year and by exempting them from the reduction of their initial allocation in the subsequent wine year.

(6) A similar provision was introduced in 2001 and in 2005 when the vineyard restructuring and conversion scheme was first applied by the Member States concerned. As the inability of the Member States concerned to spend their initial allocation could also be due to the late publication of the decision providing for the initial allocations, the option of using up these allocations must be fixed at the same high level as in 2005.

(7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Wine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

1. By way of derogation from Article 16(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000 and as concerns the 2007 financial year, Bulgaria and Romania may apply to the Commission, not later than 10 July 2007, for a further contribution to expenditure in the 2007 financial year above that notified to the Commission under Article 16(1)(a) and (b) of that Regulation, and up to 90 % of the financial allocation awarded to them by Decision 2007/381/EC. They may pay out, not later than 15 October 2007, 90 % of their initial allocation for the 2006/2007 wine year.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 179, 14.7.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006 (OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 143, 16.6.2000, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1216/2005 (OJ L 199, 29.7.2005, p. 32).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 141, 2.6.2007, p. 80.

2. By way of derogation from Article 17(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000, applications for further funding sent to the Commission under Article 16(1)(c) of that Regulation by other Member States than Bulgaria and Romania shall be accepted on a pro-rata basis by using the available appropriations once the amounts for all Member States notified under Article 16(1)(a) and (b) of that Regulation and the amounts notified by Bulgaria and Romania under Article 16(1)(a), (b) of that Regulation and under paragraph 1 of this Article, have together been deducted.

3. By way of derogation from Article 17(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1227/2000 and as concerns the 2007 financial year, no reduction is applicable to Bulgaria and Romania as regards their initial allocation for the subsequent wine year.

#### *Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 2007.

*For the Commission*

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

*Member of the Commission*

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**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 923/2007****of 1 August 2007****amending Regulation (EC) No 1623/2000 as regards certain deadlines for the distillation of the by-products of winemaking**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in wine <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 33 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Articles 45, 59 and 61 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1623/2000 of 25 July 2000 laying down detailed rules for implementing Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 on the common organisation of the market in wine with regard to market mechanisms <sup>(2)</sup> set certain dates for the distillation of the by-products of winemaking. In view of the fact that there are few distilleries in some Member States, they are experiencing practical difficulties in completing distillation by the deadlines laid down. Those deadlines should therefore be extended.
- (2) Since the deadline for the delivery of by-products to distilleries provided for in the existing legislation is 15 July of the wine year in progress, this Regulation should apply from 15 July 2007.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Wine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Regulation (EC) No 1623/2000 is hereby amended as follows:

1. The fourth subparagraph of Article 45(1) is replaced by the following:

‘As an exception to the first subparagraph, for the 2004/2005, 2005/2006 and 2006/2007 wine years the date referred to therein shall be postponed to 31 August of the following wine year.’;

2. The third subparagraph of Article 59 is replaced by the following:

‘As an exception to the first paragraph, for the 2004/2005, 2005/2006 and 2006/2007 wine years the date referred to therein shall be postponed to 15 September of the following wine year.’;

3. The second subparagraph of Article 61(3) is replaced by the following:

‘However, for the 2004/2005, 2005/2006 and 2006/2007 wine years the date referred to in the first subparagraph shall be postponed to 15 September of the following wine year.’

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 15 July 2007.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 2007.

*For the Commission*

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 179, 14.7.1999, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006 (OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 194, 31.7.2000, p. 45. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 897/2007 (OJ L 196, 28.7.2007, p. 20).

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 924/2007****of 1 August 2007****amending Regulation (EC) No 918/2007 fixing the import duties in the cereals sector applicable from 1 August 2007**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 of 29 September 2003 on the common organisation of the market in cereals <sup>(1)</sup>,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 of 28 June 1996 on rules of application (cereal sector import duties) for Council Regulation (EEC) No 1766/92 <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 2(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The import duties in the cereals sector applicable from 1 August 2007 were fixed by Commission Regulation (EC) No 918/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>.

- (2) As the average of the import duties calculated differs by more than EUR 5 a tonne from that fixed, a corresponding adjustment must be made to the import duties fixed by Regulation (EC) No 918/2007.

- (3) Regulation (EC) No 918/2007 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) No 918/2007 are hereby replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on 2 August 2007.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 1 August 2007.

*For the Commission*

Jean-Luc DEMARTY

*Director-General for Agriculture and  
Rural Development*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 270, 29.9.2003, p. 78. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 735/2007 (OJ L 169, 29.6.2007, p. 6).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 161, 29.6.1996, p. 125. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1110/2003 (OJ L 158, 27.6.2003, p. 12).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 200, 1.8.2007, p. 41.

## ANNEX

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**Import duties on the products referred to in Article 10(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1784/2003 applicable from 2 August 2007**

CN code	Description	Import duties <sup>(1)</sup> (EUR/t)
1001 10 00	Durum wheat, high quality	0,00
	medium quality	0,00
	low quality	0,00
1001 90 91	Common wheat seed	0,00
ex 1001 90 99	High quality common wheat, other than for sowing	0,00
1002 00 00	Rye	0,00
1005 10 90	Maize seed other than hybrid	10,55
1005 90 00	Maize, other than seed <sup>(2)</sup>	10,55
1007 00 90	Grain sorghum other than hybrids for sowing	0,00

<sup>(1)</sup> For goods arriving in the Community via the Atlantic Ocean or via the Suez Canal the importer may benefit, under Article 2(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96, from a reduction in the duty of:

- 3 EUR/t, where the port of unloading is on the Mediterranean Sea, or
- 2 EUR/t, where the port of unloading is in Denmark, Estonia, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Finland, Sweden, the United Kingdom or the Atlantic coast of the Iberian peninsula.

<sup>(2)</sup> The importer may benefit from a flatrate reduction of EUR 24 per tonne where the conditions laid down in Article 2(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96 are met.

## ANNEX II

## Factors for calculating the duties laid down in Annex I

31.7.2007

1. Averages over the reference period referred to in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96:

	Common wheat (*)	Maize	Durum wheat, high quality	Durum wheat, medium quality (**)	Durum wheat, low quality (***)	Barley
Exchange	Minneapolis	Chicago	—	—	—	—
Quotation	182,18	93,57	—	—	—	—
Fob price USA	—	—	229,29	219,29	199,29	155,07
Gulf of Mexico premium	—	15,23	—	—	—	—
Great Lakes premium	10,26	—	—	—	—	—

EUR/t

(\*) Premium of 14 EUR/t incorporated (Article 4(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96).

(\*\*) Discount of 10 EUR/t (Article 4(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96).

(\*\*\*) Discount of 30 EUR/t (Article 4(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96).

2. Averages over the reference period referred to in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1249/96:

Freight costs: Gulf of Mexico–Rotterdam: 42,68 EUR/tonne

Freight costs: Great Lakes–Rotterdam: 43,77 EUR/tonne'

## II

(Acts adopted under the EC Treaty/Euratom Treaty whose publication is not obligatory)

## DECISIONS

## COUNCIL

## COUNCIL DECISION

of 23 July 2007

**on the conclusion of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union**

(2007/544/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 310 thereof, in conjunction with the second sentence of the first subparagraph of Article 300(2) and with the second subparagraph of Article 300(3),

Having regard to the Act of Accession of 2003, and in particular to Article 6(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the assent of the European Parliament <sup>(1)</sup>,

Whereas:

- (1) The Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union, was signed on behalf of the Community and its Member States on 24 April 2007 at Luxembourg.

- (2) The Protocol should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Sole Article*

The Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union is hereby approved on behalf of the Community and its Member States.

The text of the Protocol is attached to this Decision <sup>(2)</sup>.

Done at Brussels, 23 July 2007.

*For the Council*

*The President*

L. AMADO

<sup>(1)</sup> Assent of the European Parliament of 10 July 2007 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 118, 8.5.2007, p. 8.

**COUNCIL DECISION**  
**of 23 July 2007**  
**appointing a Danish member of the European Economic and Social Committee**  
(2007/545/EC, Euratom)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 259 thereof,

*Article 1*

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 167 thereof,

Ms Sinne ALSING CONAN is hereby appointed a member of the European Economic and Social Committee in place of Mr Henrik FALLESEN for the remainder of his term of office, which ends on 20 September 2010.

Having regard to Council Decision 2006/703/EC, Euratom of 16 October 2006 appointing the Danish members of the European Economic and Social Committee <sup>(1)</sup> for the period from 21 September 2006 to 20 September 2010,

*Article 2*

This Decision shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

Having regard to the nomination submitted by the Danish Government,

Done at Brussels, 23 July 2007.

Having regard to the opinion of the Commission,

Whereas a Danish member's seat on the European Economic and Social Committee has fallen vacant following the resignation of Mr Henrik FALLESEN,

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
L. AMADO

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 291, 21.10.2006, p. 33.



**ADDENDUM****to Council Decision 2007/543/EC of 23 July 2007 concerning the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention on the establishment of a European Police Office (Europol Convention)**

*(Official Journal of the European Union L 200 of 1 August 2007)*

The following declarations are added to the Decision:

**'DECLARATION BY THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA CONCERNING:**

- **the Convention of 26 July 1995, based on Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the establishment of a European Police Office (Europol Convention):**

With reference to Article 40(2) of the Europol Convention the Republic of Bulgaria expresses its consent that disputes between Members States on the interpretation and application of the Convention be systematically referred to the Court of Justice of the European Communities;

- **the Protocol of 24 July 1996, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the interpretation, by way of preliminary rulings, by the Court of Justice of the European Communities of the Convention on the establishment of a European Police Office:**

Pursuant to Article 2 of the Protocol on the interpretation, by way of preliminary rulings, by the Court of Justice of the European Communities of the Europol Convention, the Republic of Bulgaria declares that it accepts the jurisdiction of the Court of Justice of the European Communities in accordance with the procedures specified in Article 2(2)(a).'

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