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## SUMMARY RECORD

### *Joint meeting of the Committee for Direct Payments and Committee for Rural Development*

22 January 2019

Chair: Mr Pierre Bascou, Director AGRI-D (point 1 and vote)  
Mr. Bruno Chauvin, Head of unit AGRI-D-2

Delegations present: All Member States were present (apart from Slovenia absent for the vote on point 1).

### **Point for the Committee of Direct Payments only:**

#### **1. PROPOSED MEASURES ON WHICH AN OPINION MAY BE REQUESTED**

- Presentation and vote on Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) .../... as regards the volumes of traditional trade flows between certain outermost regions of the Union and the United Kingdom (DS/CDP/2019/02).  
(Responsible Unit: D2 - Greening, cross-compliance and POSEI)

The Commission explained the main elements of this proposal, which was prepared in view of Brexit. It is a modification to Regulation (EU) No 180/2014 concerning the POSEI scheme for the EU outermost regions. The aim of this modification is to avoid potential disruption of traditional trade flows between the EU outermost regions and the United Kingdom, following the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union.

This initiative was listed in the Action Plan preparing for the withdrawal of the UK from the EU on 30.3.2019 and published here:

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/communication-preparing-withdrawal-united-kingdom-european-union-30-march-2019-contingency-action-plan-13-11-2018\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/communication-preparing-withdrawal-united-kingdom-european-union-30-march-2019-contingency-action-plan-13-11-2018_en)

The POSEI scheme provides specific support in the EU outermost regions of France, Spain and Portugal in order to develop the local agriculture and to supply these regions in agricultural products. It includes among others a support to supply agricultural products from continental EU and an exemption of import duties for agricultural products imported from third countries through the specific supply arrangements.

The products which benefit from the aid may be processed in Outermost Regions and re-exported within the limits fixed in the Annexes II to V to Regulation (EU) No 180/2014

– in particular Annex III concerning Portugal and Annex IV concerning Spain. The limits are fixed as regards the two destinations: to the EU and to third countries.

To avoid potential disruption after the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the EU of traditional trade flows between OR and the UK, the volumes of processed agricultural products currently sent from the Outermost Regions to the UK as a EU member should be moved to the column regarding exports to third countries. As result of this operation the total volumes fixed per product remain the same.

The proposed changes are rather limited. The modification consists in an adaptation of four lines corresponding to *bakers' wares, fruit and vegetable juices, flavoured waters* and *ethyl alcohol* sent from Madeira (in Annexes III) and one line corresponding to *candies* sent from the Canary Islands (in Annex IV).

The quantities were established on the basis of Article 14(2)(a) of Basic Regulation (EU) No 228/2013, that is on the basis of the average of the dispatches to the UK, taking as a reference the verified average figure for the three best years between 2005 and 2012.

In addition, the United Kingdom was added to the list of third countries to which the processed products may be re-exported from the Azores and Madeira in the context of regional trade in Annex VI.

Vote: positive opinion of all Member States present.

## **2. Points for both the Committee of Direct Payments and the Rural Development Committee:**

### **NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND THE INTEGRATED ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL SYSTEM (IACS)**

- Update on the Q&A document on Regulation (EU) 2018/746 introducing new technologies in IACS (DS/CDP/2019/01).

The Commission presented the update on the Q&A document on Regulation (EU) 2018/746 introducing new technologies in IACS and answered comments raised by the Member States. Should Member States have more comments and/or needs for clarification, they can send them to the Commission by writing to AGRI D3 ([AGRI-D3@ec.europa.eu](mailto:AGRI-D3@ec.europa.eu)) by the 1/02/2019. The Commission will assess all comments received and will present a revised version of the document at the next meeting to be held on the 20/02/2019.

*(Responsible Unit: D3 – Implementation support and IACS)*

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Pierre Bascou  
Director

List of participants– Summary Record

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MEMBER STATE	Ministry Or Organization	NUMBER OF PERSONS
BE	Service public de Wallonie	1
	Flemish Department of Agriculture and Fisheries	2
BG	Ministry of Agriculture	1
	State Fund Agriculture	1
CZ	Ministry of Agriculture	1
	SZIF	1
DK	Landbrugs- og Fiskeristyrelsen	2
DE	Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft	1
EE	Ministry of Rural Affairs	1
	Estonian Agricultural Registers and Information Board	1
IE	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine	2
EL	OPEKEPE – Paying Agency	3
ES	Spanish Agricultural Guarantee Fund	1
FR	Ministry of Agriculture and Food	1
HR	Paying Agency	2
IT	Ministerio delle politiche agricole	3
	AGEA	1
CY	Cyprus Agricultural Payments organisation	1
LV	Ministry of Agriculture	1
	Paying Agency	1
LT	Ministry of Agriculture	1
	AIRBC	1
LU	Service d'économie rurale	2
HU	Ministry of Agriculture	1
	Paying Agency	1
MT	Agriculture and Paying Agency (ARPA)	1
NL	Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food quality	1
	RVO Paying Agency	1
AT	Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft	1
PL	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	2

	Payment Agency	1
PT	GPP	1
RO	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	1
	APIA Paying Agency	1
SI	Paying Agency	1
SK	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	1
FI	Finish Food Authority	1
SE	Swedish Board of Agriculture	1
UK	DEFRA	1
	<i>TOTAL</i>	49