RESOLUTION ECO 1/2008

NEUTRAL ALCOHOL OF AGRICULTURAL ORIGIN (FOR VINICULTURE USE)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING the works of the expert groups "Spirits, alcohols and spirit beverages of vitivinicultural origin" and "International Code on Oenological Practices",

DECIDES

Upon the joint proposal by Commission II "Oenology" and Commission III "Economy and Law" to include the following definition in the aforementioned "International Code":

PART I

Chapter 7: Distillates, spirits, alcohols and spirit beverages of vitivinicultural origin

7.3 Neutral alcohol of agricultural origin

Ethyl alcohol obtained by distillation and rectification, with a minimum alcoholic strength of 96% volume, either after alcoholic fermentation, agricultural products such as beets, molasses, potatoes, grains, grape musts, grapes or other fruits, or agricultural origin spirits including wine and which do not have a detectable taste.

A member state can however accept a minimum alcoholic strength of 95% vol. for its domestic market if this corresponds to a national law foregoing the approval of this Resolution.

Certified in conformity Zagreb, 20th June 2008
The Director General of the OIV
Secretary of the General Assembly
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