

RESOLUTION ECO 3/2006

HARMONISATION OF LABELLING OF WINES – USE OF THE WORD “WINE”

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING the OIV International Standard for the labelling of wines,

CONSIDERING the Codex Alimentarius Standard for the labelling of pre-packaged foods,

CONSIDERING that the prescriptions concerning labelling constitute standards that must not create unnecessary obstacles to international trade in terms of the Agreement on technical barriers to trade of the World Trade Organisation,

CONSIDERING Resolution ECO 1/2005 and that it is advisable to complete the O.I.V standard by further recommendations concerning the presentation of mandatory indications,

ADOPTS the following amendments to the International Standard for the labelling of wines:

Article 2.1.1 is replaced by the following.

2.1.1 The use of the word "wine".

The use of the word "wine" or, (without prejudice to article 2.1.2.2) other substitutive recognised indication, is obligatory in the labelling of the product which respects the definition quoted in article 1.2.1. It may be completed by mentioning its type or particular classification. Subject to the provisions which the Member States make compulsory for their own production, no opposition can be made to the release onto the market of the product which respects this definition and which is presented under the single name "wine".

Without prejudice to the particular provisions made for certain products which bear in their name the word "wine" alongside complementary information, the word "wine" used alone can only apply to the product defined in article 1.2.1.