RESOLUTION OENO 7/98

PRINCIPLE OF RATIFICATION OF COMMON METHODS WITH RESPECT TO METHODS OF REFERENCE

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

READ Article 5, paragraph 4 of the International Convention of Unification of Methods of Analysis and Appreciation of Wines of October 13, 1954,

ON PROPOSAL of Subcommittee of Methods of Analysis and Appreciation of Wines,

DECIDES:

To place in Annex A of the Summary of International Methods of Analysis of Wines, the principle of ratification of common methods with respect to methods of reference below:

- The OIV acknowledges the existence of methods of analysis of wines in addition to those described in the Summary of International Methods of Analysis of Wines and Musts, of common methods most often automated. These methods are economically and commercially important because they permit maintaining a complete and efficient analytical framework around the production and marketing of wine. Moreover, these methods allow the use of modern means of analysis and the development and adaptation of techniques of analysis.

In order to allow laboratories to use these methods and to insure their linkage to methods described within the Summary, the OIV decides to establish a plan of evaluation and validation by a laboratory of an alternative, common method, mechanized or not with respect to a reference method described in the Summary of International Methods of Analysis of Wines and Musts.

This principle, which will be adapted to the particular situation of the analysis of wines and musts, will take its inspiration from international standards in current use and allow the laboratory to assess and validate its alternative method in two ways:

Certified in conformity Lisbon, 26th June 1998
The Director General of the OIV
Secretary of the General Assembly
Georges DUTRUC-ROSSET

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