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PROPOSAL

From:	Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director
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To:	Mr Uwe CORSEPIUS, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
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Subject:	ANNEX DRAFT DECISION No 2/2014 OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE of concerning the amendment of Decision No 2/2003 of the Joint Committee on Agriculture to the Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the European Union within the Joint Committee on Agriculture set up by the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products, as regards the amendment of Decision No 2/2003 of that Committee

Delegations will find attached document COM(2014) 34 final - Annex 1.

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THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

Having regard to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products, and in particular Article 6(7) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products (hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement') entered into force on 1 June 2002.
- (2) Annex 12 to the Agreement concerns the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 15(6) of Annex 12 to the Agreement, the 'PDO/PGI' working group assists the Joint Committee on Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as 'the Committee') at the latter's request.
- (4) Decision No 2/2003 of the Committee set up the working groups and adopted the terms of reference of those groups.
- (5) Following the adoption of the Agreement on the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs of 1 December 2011, adding Annex 12 to the Agreement, Decision No 2/2003 of the Committee should be amended, in particular as regards the basis in the Agreement and the terms of reference of the 'PDO/PGI' working group,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision No 2/2003 of the Joint Committee on Agriculture of 21 October 2003 concerning the setting-up of the working groups and the adoption of the terms of reference of those groups shall, as regards the 'PDO/PGI' working group, be amended as follows:

(1) The section 'Working Group on PDOs and PGIs' is replaced by:

'Working Group on PDOs and PGIs

Basis in the Agreement (Annex 12)

Article 15(6) of Annex 12 on the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs.

Terms of reference of the working group under Article 15

- 1. To examine any issue relating to Annex 12 and its implementation.
- 2. To examine periodically the development of the Parties' internal legislative and regulatory provisions in the areas covered by Annex 12.
- 3. To draw up, in particular, proposals to be submitted to the Joint Committee with a view to adapting and updating the Appendices to Annex 12.'

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on 2013.

Done at ...,

For the Joint Committee on Agriculture

The Head of the European The Chair and Head of the Union Delegation Swiss Delegation The Committee Secretary

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