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Negotiating directives for the Protocol between the European Union and the Republic of Kazakhstan on the protection of geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs, wines and spirits, amending the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Kazakhstan

General objective

The objective of the negotiations is to conclude an agreement on the protection of geographical indications, as provided for in the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement ('EPCA'), in the form of a Protocol amending the existing EPCA. The Protocol is to contain provisions on geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs, wines and spirits.

The provisions of the Protocol, as provided by the EPCA, will cover the protection of geographical indications, particularly with regard to the elimination of misuses or abuses of those indications.