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NOTE

Subject: Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European

Union in the Council of Members of the International Olive Council (IOC)

as regards the trade standard for olive oils and olive pomace oils

The European Union shall support the following amendments of the IOC trade standard (Trade standard COI/T.15/NC No. 4 applying to olive oils and olive-pomace oils) at the 121th session of the Council of Members of the IOC to be held in July 2025 or within the framework of a procedure for adoption of decisions by the Council of Members by an exchange of correspondence initiated before its next regular session in November 2025:

- Inclusion of revision 4 of the method of analysis for the determination of wax and fatty acid ethyl ester content by capillary column gas chromatography (COI/T.20/Doc. No. 28/Rev. 4);
- Inclusion of the method for the determination of diglyceride and triglyceride content (COI/T.20/Doc. No. 32);
- Inclusion of a footnote changing the limit for total sterols for monovarietal olive oils obtained from either Koroneiki or Nocellara del Belice olive varieties, pending further scientific studies;
- The deletion of the detection of traces of halogenated solvents in the trade standard.

Technical adaptations to other methods or documents of the IOC may be agreed to by the representatives of the Union in the Council of Members of the IOC without further decision of the Council if they result from amendments referred to in the first paragraph.

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