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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>ALBANIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Consumer Protection <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b> National Enquiry Point.
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Vegetative propagation of the vine.
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Draft Decision of Council of Ministers "On the marketing and certification requirements of materials for the vegetative propagation of the vine" (30 pages, available in Albanian language).
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The aim of this draft decision is to determine the criteria for the trade of materials for the vegetative propagation of the vine, for the categories, and the quality of their identity, packaging and labeling rules as well the procedures of certification criteria.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The adoption of this draft decision will make possible improving the quality of materials for the vegetative propagation of the vine placed on the market as well as protection and to support the farmers to increase quality and quantity of production, without altering the environment protection rules.
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <i>f</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Albanian Law No. 10416, date 07.04.2011 "On the plant genetic material", art. 4, paragraph 9; art. 14, paragraph 3; art. 15, paragraph 3 and art. 16, paragraph 4;</li><li>- Council Directive 68/193/EEC of 9 April 1968 "On the marketing of material for the vegetative propagation of the vine";</li><li>- Commission Decision 2005/43/EC of 23 June 2005.</li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> January 2013 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> March 2013

**10. Final date for comments:** 60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat

**11. Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:**

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