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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## BRAZIL — DRAFT ORDINANCE ACT N°. 374, 27 NOVEMBER 2014 (PORTARIA SDA/MAPA 374/2014) ESTABLISHES QUALITY REQUIREMENTS FOR WINE AND DERIVATIVES OF GRAPE AND WINE

STATEMENT BY THE EUROPEAN UNION TO THE COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE 21 AND 22 MARCH 2018

The following communication, dated 16 April 2018, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the <u>European Union</u>.

- 1. The European Union notes that the final ordinance was recently published in the Official Journal of Brazil and would like to thank the Brazilian Authorities for fruitful exchanges on this technical regulation during its preparation.
- 2. The European Union welcomes that many of its comments have been taken into account during the revision of the draft ordinance, either entirely or partially.
- 3. Nevertheless, the European Union would like to recall some of the concerns that have not been reflected in the final ordinance, in particular in relation to the various limits set out in the Annex that are not in line with OIV standards. Notably the diverging parameters on volatile acidity risk creating undue technical barriers to EU wine exports to Brazil.
- 4. The EU would appreciate if the Brazilian authorities could consider addressing these concerns in the future and the EU is prepared to work bilaterally with Brazil in this respect.