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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission

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- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Spirit drinks
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2008 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks (4 pages, in English)
- **6. Description of content:** This draft Regulation modifies Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 for the inclusion of the new category of spirit drink "sloe-aromatised spirit drink or *Pacharán*".
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The objective is to establish a definition for a spirit drink made by the maceration of sloes (Prunus spinosa) in ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin, which is traditionally produced in Spain and widely known by Spanish consumers as 'Pacharán'. In the absence of a category of spirit drink corresponding to 'Pacharán' and in order to convey clear information to non-Spanish consumers, a new category named 'Sloe-aromatised spirit drink or Pacharán' is included in Regulation (EC) No 110/2008.
- **8. Relevant documents:** Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2008 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks (*OJ L 39, 13.2.2008, p. 16–54*)

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9. Proposed date of adoption: End of 2014

Proposed date of entry into force: 3 days from publication in the Official Journal of the

- 10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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