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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2024/...

of ...

**on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union,
of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between
the European Union and its Member States, of the one part,
and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Articles 207 and 209 in conjunction with Article 218(6), second subparagraph, point (a), and Article 218(7) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Having regard to the consent of the European Parliament¹,

¹ OJ C, ..., ELI: ...

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Council Decision (EU) .../...²⁺, the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part (the 'Agreement') was signed on ...⁺⁺, subject to the conclusion of the Agreement at a later date.
- (2) The Agreement constitutes an important step towards the increased political and economic engagement of the Union in Central Asia. By strengthening political dialogue and improving cooperation in a broad range of areas, the Agreement will provide the basis for more effective bilateral engagement with the Kyrgyz Republic.
- (3) The Agreement should be approved,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

² Council Decision (EU) .../... of ... on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and provisional application of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part (OJ L, ..., ELI: ...).

⁺ OJ: please insert in the text the number of the decision in Council document ST 10659/22 and insert number, date and OJ reference in the corresponding footnote.

⁺⁺ OJ: please insert the date of signature of the Agreement.

Article 1

The Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part³⁺, is hereby approved on behalf of the Union.

Article 2

The President of the Council shall, on behalf of the Union, give the notification provided for in Article 318(1) of the Agreement.

³ The text of the Agreement is published in OJ L, ..., ELI: ...

⁺ OJ: please insert in the footnote the OJ reference for the publication of the Agreement contained in document ST 10660/22.

Article 3

For the purposes of Article 27(2), point (a)(ii), of the Agreement, any amendments to the Annexes to the Agreement concerning geographical indications through decisions of the Cooperation Council established by the Agreement, acting in its trade configuration, shall be approved by the Commission on behalf of the Union. Where interested parties cannot reach an agreement following objections relating to a geographical indication, the Commission shall adopt a position on the basis of the procedure laid down in Article 57(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴.

Article 4

1. A name protected under Title IV, Chapter 8, Section B, Sub-section 4 (Geographical Indications), of the Agreement may be used by any natural or legal person marketing agricultural products, foodstuffs, wines, aromatised wines or spirit drinks conforming to the corresponding specification.
2. In accordance with Article 124 of the Agreement, the Member States and the institutions of the Union shall enforce the protection provided for in Articles 119 to 123 of the Agreement, including at the request of an interested party.

⁴ Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs (OJ L 343, 14.12.2012, p. 1).

Article 5

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at ...,

For the Council

The President
