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between the European Union and the United Mexican States

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2026/...

of ...

**on the conclusion of the Interim Agreement on Trade
between the European Union and the United Mexican States**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 91(1), Article 100(2) and Article 207(4), first subparagraph, 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 Consent of ... (not yet published in the Official Journal).

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Council Decision (EU) ...², the Interim Agreement on Trade between the European Union and the United Mexican States (the 'ITA') was signed on ... [*date of signing*], subject to its conclusion at a later date.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 218(7) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, it is appropriate to authorise the Commission to approve on the Union's behalf certain modifications to or rectifications of the ITA.
- (3) The ITA, in accordance with Article 33.14 thereof, does not, within the Union, confer rights or impose obligations on persons other than those created between the Parties under public international law. The ITA therefore cannot be directly invoked before the courts of the Union or of the Member States.
- (4) The ITA should be approved,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

² Council Decision (EU) 2026/... of ... on the signing of the Interim Agreement on Trade between the European Union and the United Mexican States (OJ L, ..., ELI: ...).

⁺ OJ: Please insert the reference number of the Decision set out in ST 12420/25 and complete the corresponding footnote.

Article 1

The Interim Agreement on Trade between the European Union and the United Mexican States (the 'ITA') is hereby approved^{3*}.

Article 2

1. For the purposes of Article 2.22(4) of the ITA, any modification to the product definitions and oenological practices and restrictions set out in Parts A and B of Annex 2-E to the ITA shall be approved by the Commission on behalf of the Union, following consultation of the Trade Policy Committee.
2. For the purposes of Article 2.24(8) of the ITA, any modification to the documentation and certification set out in Part D of Annex 2-E to the ITA shall be approved by the Commission on behalf of the Union, following consultation of the Trade Policy Committee.

Article 3

For the purposes of Article 21.18 of the ITA, any modification to or rectification of commitments set out in Annexes 21-A and 21-B to the ITA shall be approved by the Commission on behalf of the Union, following consultation of the Trade Policy Committee.

³ The text of the ITA is published in ... [*insert OJ reference*].

^{*} The date of entry into force of the ITA will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 4

1. For the purposes of Article 25.35 of the ITA, any modification to the list of geographical indications set out in Annex 25-B of the ITA, and any amendment of Annex I or II to the Spirits Agreement⁴, incorporated into the ITA pursuant to Article 25.41 of the ITA, shall be approved by the Commission on behalf of the Union, following consultation of the Trade Policy Committee.
2. 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 88(2) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁵.

⁴ Agreement between the European Community and the United Mexican States on the mutual recognition and protection of designations for spirit drinks, done at Brussels on 27 May 1997 (OJ L 152, 11.6.1997, p. 16, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/1997/361/oj).

⁵ Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (OJ L, 2024/1143, 23.4.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1143/oj>).

Article 5

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

Done at ..., ...

For the Council

The President

