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Following the Permanent Representatives Committee meeting of 30 September 2026 which endorsed the final compromise text with a view to agreement, delegations are informed that the Presidency sent the attached letter, together with its Annex, to the Chair of the European Parliament Committee on Legal Affairs (JURI).

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Dear Mr Kyuchyuk,

Following the examination of the above-mentioned proposal by the Committee on Legal Affairs of the European Parliament and the Permanent Representatives Committee, I note that the European Parliament and the Council support substantially identical amendments to the proposal of the European Commission. I am pleased to inform you that the Permanent Representatives Committee today agreed to the compromise text corresponding to the mandate of the European Parliament.

I am therefore now in a position to confirm that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading, in accordance with Article 294(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), in the exact same form of the compromise text as set out in the Annex to this letter (subject to finalisation by the lawyer-linguists of the two institutions), the Council, in accordance with Article 294(4) of the TFEU, will approve the position of the European Parliament and the act shall be adopted in the wording which corresponds to that position.

On behalf of the Council, I also wish to thank you for your close cooperation, which should enable us to reach agreement on this file at first reading.

Yours faithfully,

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Proposal for a

REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 as regards amendments adopted by the Assembly of the Lisbon Union on 14 July 2025 to the Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement *for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration and the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement* on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 207 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,

~~Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee[1],~~

Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure,

Whereas:

(1) [2]The Union is a Contracting Party to the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications[1a] ***(the 'Geneva Act')***. Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council[3] establishes the rules and procedures concerning actions of the Union following its accession to the Geneva Act.

~~1~~ ~~OJ C , , p. .~~

2 ***OJ L 271, 24.10.2019, p. 15, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2019/1754/oj.***

3 Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2019 on the action of the Union following its accession to the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications (OJ L 271, 24.10.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1753/oj)

(1a) ***The Geneva Act protects appellations of origin and geographical indications, including protected designations of origin, protected geographical indications and geographical indications within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council, as well as protected geographical indications within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411[4] of the European Parliament and of the Council[1a], which are together referred to as "geographical indications" in Regulation (EU) 2019/1753. It should be ensured that the correspondence between the geographical indications protected under the Union system, on the one hand, and the registrations of the respective geographical indications of the Union and of the Member States in the International Register under the Geneva Act (the 'International Register'), on the other hand, can be maintained when the geographical indications protected under the Union system are modified.***

(2) On 14 July 2025, in the ~~Sixty-Sixth~~***66th*** Series of Meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of ~~WIPO (~~***the*** World Intellectual Property Organization ***('WIPO')***, the Assembly of the Lisbon Union adopted amendments to the Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration and the Geneva Act[5] of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications (~~hereinafter "the~~ ***the "***Common Regulations")[6]. Those new rules ~~will~~***are to*** enter into force on 1 July 2026.

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4 ***Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 on the protection of geographical indications for craft and industrial products and amending Regulations (EU) 2017/1001 and (EU) 2019/1753 (OJ L, 2023/2411, 27.10.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2411/oj).***

~~5~~ ~~Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications, (OJ L 271, 24.10.2019, p. 15, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2019/1754/oj ;Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement and the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement (as in force on July 14, 2023), ELI: https://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/treaties/textdetails/19813)~~

~~6~~ ~~Text of the amendment: LI/A/42/2 ; Summary report of the meeting of the Lisbon Assembly of 14 July 2025 including the decision of approval of the amendment A/66/10~~

(3) As a consequence of the adoption of ~~the~~***those*** amendments to the Common Regulations ~~by the Assembly of the Lisbon Union on 14 July 2025~~, ~~several provisions of~~ Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 should be amended ~~by the date of entry into force of the amendments to the Common Regulations to ensure the consistency and coherence of Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 with the updated Common Regulations, and thus~~ to enable the Union to ~~continue to be fully operational~~***meet its obligations*** as a Contracting Party to the Geneva Act ***and to make use of the new procedural options provided under the amended Common Regulations***.

(4) In particular, ~~following the new~~***in accordance with the amended*** Rule 15 of the Common Regulations***, in addition to the existing list of possible modifications, which includes, among others, modifications of the geographical area and modifications of the beneficiary***, Contracting Parties will be able to submit requests for entry in the International Register of the following new types of modifications: modification of the name of ~~an appellation of origin or~~***a registered*** geographical indication ~~registered under the Geneva Act~~, modification of the type of good or ~~product~~***goods*** and modification of the description of the particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics of the ~~appellation of origin or~~ geographical indication ~~concerned as laid down~~***, as referred to*** in Rule 5(3) of ~~–~~ the Common Regulations.

(5) Currently, the procedures ~~set out~~***provided for*** in Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 do not ~~apply to~~***provide for*** requests for modification.

(6) It is therefore necessary to ~~define the~~***establish the appropriate*** procedures to enable the ~~implementation by the~~ Union ~~of the related~~***to submit*** requests ***for modifications to the International Register as referred to in amended Rule 15 of the Common Regulations***. The requests for modification ~~made~~***submitted*** by the Union should concern ~~its own appellations of origin or geographical indications, the appellations of origin or~~***all the*** geographical indications of the ***Union and of the*** Member States ~~which have been allowed to be Members of the Geneva Act, for~~***that are registered in the International Register, in respect of*** which the Commission, or***, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products,*** the European Union Intellectual Property Office (~~hereinafter "the~~ ***the "***Office")~~,~~ is ***the*** Competent Authority ***within the meaning of the Geneva Act***.

(6a) In particular, to maintain the correspondence between the registrations of the geographical indications of the Union and of the Member States in the International Register under the Geneva Act and the geographical indications protected in the Union system, a mechanism should be provided that enables the Commission or, as applicable, the Office to ensure the correspondence of the registrations in the International Register in case of amendments to the product specification of the geographical indication protected in the Union system. In addition, modifications of the geographical area of geographical indication registered under the Geneva Act, which were already included among the permitted modifications under Rule 15 of the Common Regulations before its amendment, should also be covered by this mechanism. In contrast, modifications under Rule 15 of the Common Regulations that do not affect the product specification of a geographical indication protected in the Union system, such as modifications of the beneficiaries, should not be covered by that mechanism, as they do not affect the correspondence between the geographical indications protected under the Union system and the registrations under the Geneva Act.

(7) It is appropriate to make a distinction between two ~~types of modifications. Concerning modifications~~***groups of amendments*** of the~~ name, the type of~~ product ~~or the geographical area of a protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication or~~***specification of a*** geographical indication, protected ***in the Union system*** under Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 or Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, ~~as these elements are constitutive elements~~***that may result in a modification*** of the ~~appellations of origin and~~***corresponding geographical indication registered under the Geneva Act. The first group of amendments are those that result in a substantive discrepancy between the*** geographical indications ***registered*** in the Geneva Act system ***and those protected in the Union system. Amendments of the product specification concerning the name of the geographical indication or the classification of the product that imply a modification of the type of good or goods under the Geneva Act should fall within this group. In order to maintain the correspondence between the geographical indications protected in accordance with Union law and the corresponding geographical indications registered under the Geneva Act***, the Commission ***or, as applicable, the Office*** should~~ be obliged~~***, therefore, have the obligation*** to request the modification of the corresponding~~ appellation of origin or~~ geographical indication registered in the International Register, after the approval of the ***respective*** amendment in the Union system***, unless the Member State of origin indicates that it no longer wishes to maintain the international registration and requests its cancellation***. ***In such cases, for the international registration to be cancelled, the Member State of origin should submit its request to the Commission or, as applicable, the Office, by the date on which the amendment of the geographical indication in the Union system has been approved.***

(8) ~~By contrast, the particulars~~***The second group of amendments are those that do not necessarily result in a substantial discrepancy between the geographical indications registered in the Geneva Act system and the geographical indications protected in the Union system. Amendments of the geographical area or of the elements*** concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics ~~[~~of the~~ appellation of origin or~~ geographical indication~~]~~ ~~are an optional element of appellations of origin and geographical indications~~ ***protected*** in the ***Union*** system ~~of the Geneva Act~~***should be included in that group***. The request for modification of ~~such elements of the appellation of origin or~~***the particulars of a*** geographical indication registered in the International Register ***following the amendment of the product specification, as regards the elements concerning quality, reputation or characteristics, of a geographical indication protected in the Union system*** should be possible, at the initiative of the Member State of origin of the ~~appellation of origin or~~***relevant*** geographical indication ***registered in the Geneva Act system***, and after the approval of the amendment in the Union system.

(9) ~~In the light~~***The Union should be allowed to refuse protection when the Commission or, as applicable, the Office, are notified, pursuant to Rule 15(3) or 18(3)*** of the ~~above, it is necessary to set out the~~***Common Regulations, of modifications or corrections of geographical indications registered in the International Register on request of a third country, in respect of which Contracting Parties are allowed to declare, in accordance with Rule 15(5) of the Common Regulations, that they cannot ensure the protection because of the modification or after the correction. It would be*** appropriate ~~procedures~~***to assess such modifications or corrections*** under ~~Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 to adapt it~~***the already existing procedure to be applied following the notifications,*** to the ~~new rules~~***Commission or, as applicable, to the Office of registration of geographical indications of third countries registered in the International Register. However, in order to avoid excessive and disproportionate burden, such procedure should be mandatory only for modifications*** of the ~~Geneva Act~~***name and of the type of good or goods related to third-country geographical indications registered in the International Register***. ***For corrections or modifications of the particulars, the procedure should be initiated only upon request of a Member State or on the Commission's or, as applicable, the Office's own initiative.***

~~(10) These amendments are necessary to allow the Union to meet its obligations under the Geneva Act.~~

(11) In addition, ~~in view of~~***for*** simplification and ~~economy~~***efficiency*** of the procedures, the obligation for Member States**,** which were ~~party of~~***Contracting Parties to*** the Lisbon Agreement ***for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration*** before the accession of the Union to the Geneva Act**,** to transmit to the Commission any notification made by the International Bureau under ~~the Lisbon~~***that*** Agreement and the obligation for the Commission to transmit those notifications to all other Member States should be deleted.

(12) In respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Commission should, in the specific cases identified in ~~Article 30 of~~ Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, be able to take over from the Office the power to decide on ***requests for*** registration~~, modification and cancellation of appellations of origin and~~ ***of*** geographical indications of the ~~European~~***Union in the International Register, modifications and cancellations of registrations of geographical indications of the*** Union or of its Member States and on protection, refusal of protection, ~~modification and invalidation of appellations of origin and geographical indications~~***modifications, corrections and invalidations of an international registration*** of a third country. This is in particular because the registration of the proposed geographical indication might be contrary to public policy, or such registration or the rejection of the application might jeopardise the Union's trade or external relations.

(13) ~~Recently,~~ Union legislation on geographical indications was reformed by Regulation (EU) 2024/1143[7] ~~of the European Parliament and of the Council~~, which establishes a ~~unified~~***uniform*** framework for geographical indications ***concerning wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products*** in the Union, enhancing the protection and recognition of products like wine, spirit drinks, and agricultural products. That Regulation amended Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013~~, (EU) 2019/787 and~~[8] ***and (EU) 2019/787[9] of the European Parliament and of the Council and*** repealed Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 ***of the European Parliament and of the Council***[10]. References to Regulations (EU) No 1151/2012, (EU) No 1308/2013 and (EU) 2019/787 should***,*** therefore***,*** be replaced by references to Regulation (EU) 2024/1143.

(14) Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 should, therefore, be amended accordingly,

(14a) In order to allow the right holders in the Union to benefit as soon as possible from the right to request modifications of registrations under the Geneva Act, as well as to enable the Union as soon as possible to refuse protection under the Geneva Act following a modification by another Contracting Party to the Geneva Act, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication.

~~7~~ ~~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, 23.04.2024, p. 75, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1143/oj).~~

8 ***Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1308/oj).***

9 ***Regulation (EU) 2019/787 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of the names of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs, the protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks, the use of ethyl alcohol and distillates of agricultural origin in alcoholic beverages, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 (OJ L 130, 17.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/787/oj).***

10 ***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, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/1151/oj).***

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Amendments to Regulation (EU) No 2019/1753

Regulation (EU) No 2019/1753 is amended as follows:

(1) in Article 1, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. For the purposes of this Regulation, the term “geographical indications” covers:

(a) appellations ~~of origin within the meaning of the Geneva Act, including designations~~ of origin and geographical indications ***within the meaning of the Geneva Act;***

(b) protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications for wine~~, spirit drinks~~ and agricultural products***, as well as geographical indications for spirit drinks,*** within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council*; and

(c) protected geographical indications for craft and industrial products within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 ***of the European Parliament and of the Council***.

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* 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, 23.04.2024, p. 75, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1143/oj).;

** ***Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 on the protection of geographical indications for craft and industrial products and amending Regulations (EU) 2017/1001 and (EU) 2019/1753 (OJ L, 2023/2411, 27.10.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2411/oj).’***

(1a) in Article 1, the following paragraph is inserted:

`2a. In respect of appellations of origin relating to craft and industrial products which are the subject of an international registration, protection in the Union shall be construed as specified in Articles 6 and 40 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411.'

(2) the following Article 2a is ~~added~~***inserted***:

'Article 2a

-Modifications ***of Union's and Member States' registrations*** of geographical indications in the International Register

1. Following the ~~adoption~~***approval***, in accordance with Union law, of an amendment of the ***product specification concerning the*** name, ~~of~~***for*** the classification of the product or ***that implies a modification*** of the ~~geographical area of protected designations of origin, protected geographical indications or~~***type of good or goods under the Geneva Act of*** geographical indications originating in the Union and protected in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 or Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Office, shall present to the International Bureau requests for modifications of the name~~,~~ ***or*** of the type of ~~product or of the geographical area of :~~***good or goods of***

   (a) the corresponding ~~appellation of origin or~~ geographical indication ~~which has been~~ registered in the International Register ~~upon request of the Commission or the Office;~~.

   ~~(b) the corresponding appellation of origin or geographical indication which has been registered in the International Register upon request of a Member State.~~

1a. The Commission or, as applicable, the Office shall be exempted from the obligation to request a modification in accordance with paragraph 1 in case the Member State of origin of the concerned geographical indication, by the date on which the amendment of the product specification of the geographical indication has been approved in the Union system, requests the Commission or, as applicable, the Office to cancel the corresponding registration in the International Register in accordance with Article 3(1)(b).

2. Upon request of a Member State, following the ~~adoption~~***approval***, in accordance with Union law, of an amendment of ~~protected designations of origin, protected~~***the product specification as regards the*** geographical ~~indications or~~***area or elements concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics of*** geographical indications originating in the Union and protected in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 or Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Office, may present to the International Bureau requests for modifications of the ***geographical area or of the*** particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics, as laid down in Rule 5(3) of the Common Regulations, of the corresponding ~~appellation of origin or~~ geographical indication registered in the International Register and referred to in ~~points a) and b) of~~ paragraph 1.~~;'~~

(3) in Article 7, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

'2. Where, based on the assessment carried out pursuant to Article 5, the conditions laid down in that Article are not fulfilled or an admissible opposition as set out in Article 6(2) has been received, the Commission shall, by means of an implementing act, decide whether to grant protection of a geographical indication registered in the International Register. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 15(2). In respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the decision whether to grant protection shall be adopted by the Office.'

(4) the following Article 7a is ~~added~~***inserted***:

‘Article 7a

Modifications ~~of~~***and corrections in relation to*** third country ***registrations of*** geographical indications ~~registered~~ in the International Register

1. Articles 4 to 7 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to a modification of the name or a modification of the type of ~~product or a modification of the geographical area of appellations of origin or~~***good or goods in relation to*** geographical indications registered in the International Register in respect of which the Contracting Party of Origin, as defined in point (xv) of Article 1 of the Geneva Act, is not a Member State, notified to the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, to the Office, pursuant to Rule 15(3) of the Common Regulations.~~;~~

1a. Upon request of a Member State or on its own initiative, the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Office may apply the procedure set out in Articles 4 to 7, mutatis mutandis, with reference to a modification of the particulars of the geographical indications referred to in paragraph 1, or to a correction in relation to a geographical indication registered in the International Register in respect of which the Contracting Party of Origin, as defined in point (xv) of Article 1 of the Geneva Act, is not a Member State, that has been notified to the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, to the Office, pursuant to Rule 18(3) of the Common Regulations.’

(5) in Article 8, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. –The implementing acts adopted by the Commission pursuant to ~~Article~~***Articles*** 7 and 7a shall apply without prejudice to other specific Union provisions relating to the placing of products on the market and, in particular, to the common organisation of agricultural markets, sanitary and phytosanitary standards, and food labelling.

In respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the first subparagraph shall apply mutatis mutandis to the decisions of the Office.;’

(6) paragraph 5 of Article 12 is deleted;

(7) the following Article 12a is ~~added~~***inserted***:

‘Article 12a

Application of Article 30 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411

Paragraphs 1 to 5 of Article 30 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 shall apply mutatis mutandis to the procedures set out in this Regulation in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products.;’

(8) in Article 15, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. The Commission shall be assisted by the following committees within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, in respect of the following products:

(a) for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, falling within the scope of Article 5(1) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143, by the Quality Policy Committee for agricultural products, wine and spirit drinks established by Article 88 of that Regulation;

(b) for craft and industrial products falling within the scope of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, by the Committee for Craft and Industrial Geographical Indications established by Article 68 of that Regulation..’

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the ~~twentieth~~ day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the European Parliament	*For the Council*
The President	*The President*