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NOTE

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With a view to the SCA on 12 February 2024, delegations will find attached the room document from the Presidency.

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Revision of certain Breakfast Directives

Delegations will find below the proposed addition to row 43a of the four column document – Article 1, amending article 2 of Directive 2001/110/EC (Honey Directive). The current wording of this provision allows for ambiguity, which could lead to legal uncertainty. More specifically, it is not clear from the current wording of the article whether the derogation for honey origin labelling only applies on the territory of the Member State that allowed for the derogation or not. To avoid such ambiguity and in the interest of legal clarity, the Presidency therefore suggests to add in the provision that the derogation applies on the territory of the Member State concerned.

Proposed addition to row 43a – marked in yellow:

However, Member States may provide, **concerning honey placed on the market in their territory**, that, where the number of countries of origin in honey blends is more than four, and there are four countries of origin representing the four largest shares among all countries of origin that amounts to more than 50 % of the blend, the obligation to indicate the percentage, only applies to those four largest shares, whereas the rest of the countries of origin is indicated in descending order without percentage.