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Delegations will find in Annex comments from the Swedish Delegation.



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Swedish comments on drafting suggestions for the Regulation on the common market organization in agricultural products

The comments are based on the Presidency's suggested changes in WK 4064/2020 INIT.

Article 149 - 1308/2013 and other references to the UK

Sweden accepts the changes proposed following the UK's departure from the EU.

Article 152.1

Sweden considers mutual funds to be a tool and not a goal. However, Sweden has no objection to including the references to other sectors as proposed.

Suggested changes Annex I

The Presidency suggests including sweetcorn, artichokes and swedes in the list of fresh or processed fruits and vegetables.

Sweden is against the proposal to add more products to the list in Annex 1, as it risks increasing demands on the EU budget. Sweetcorn is a large product mainly cultivated for the industry of canned and frozen products, while the sale for direct consumption is limited. Thus, sweetcorn is like peas cultivated for the industry and as such it should be counted as an agricultural crop. Furthermore, problems might rise to distinguish between sweetcorn and corn for feed.

Annex VII, Appendix I, point 1(C)

Sweden supports the request from Lithuania to be added to wine-growing zone A.

Amendments to Regulations 228/2013 and 229/2013

Sweden accepts the proposal.