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| From:    | General Secretariat of the Council                                                                     |
| To:      | Delegations                                                                                            |
| Subject: | Regulation on geographical indications and quality schemes<br>- Comments from the Slovenian delegation |

Delegations will find attached written comments from the Slovenian delegation on the Presidency drafting suggestions set out in 8598/23 REV1.

**Short remarks regarding Document 8598/1/23 REV 1 on behalf of the Slovenian delegation:**

Last changes that have been introduced by the Presidency also include the description of wine/wines in Article 81 as aligned to the current provisions for wine in Regulation 1308/2013.

This is correct for Art. 94(1)(c)(ii) but not entirely for Art. 94(1)(c)(i).

We suggest an addition of a conjunction **"and"** between the analytical and the organoleptic characteristics of wine in order to make the text really clear and aligned to the existing provision for wine GIs in Article 94 of 1308/2013.

*'Article 94*

Product specification

1. The product specification shall enable interested parties to verify the relevant conditions of production relating to the designation of origin or geographical indication. The product specification shall comprise:

(a) the name to be protected;

(aa) the categories of grapevine products;

(b) the type of geographical indication, being a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication;

(c) a description of the wine or wines:

(i) ,including in respect of a designation of origin, the principal analytical **and** organoleptic characteristics;

(ii) in respect of a geographical indication, the principal analytical characteristics as well as an evaluation or indication of its organoleptic characteristics;