

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1421/2003  
of 8 August 2003**

**correcting Regulation (EC) No 2103/2002 approving operations to check conformity to the marketing standards applicable to fresh fruit and vegetables carried out in South Africa prior to import into the European Community**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the market in fruit and vegetables <sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 47/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2103/2002 <sup>(3)</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 836/2003 <sup>(4)</sup>, approves checking operations in South Africa and sets out in its Annex II the model certificate to be used by the South African inspection bodies.
- (2) A typing mistake has occurred while adopting Regulation (EC) No 836/2003 with regard to the period of validity for sea/land shipments of the certificate.

(3) It is thus necessary to correct Regulation (EC) No 2103/2002 accordingly.

(4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2103/2002 is corrected as follows:

In box 13 ('period of validity days'), the figure '30' is replaced by the figure '40'.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day 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, 8 August 2003.

*For the Commission*  
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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 297, 21.11.1996, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 7, 11.1.2003, p. 64.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 324, 29.11.2002, p. 11.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 121, 16.5.2003, p. 3.