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ANNEX XII

DEFINITIONS AND DESIGNATIONS IN RESPECT OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 114(1)

II. Use of the term 'milk'

1. The term 'milk' means exclusively the normal mammary secretion obtained from one or more milkings without either addition thereto or extraction therefrom.

However, the term 'milk' may be used:

- (a) for milk treated without altering its composition or for milk the fat content of which is standardised under Article 114(2) in conjunction with Annex XIII;
 - (b) in association with a word or words to designate the type, grade, origin and/or intended use of such milk or to describe the physical treatment or the modification in composition to which it has been subjected, provided that the modification is restricted to an addition and/or withdrawal of natural milk constituents.
2. For the purposes of this Annex, 'milk products' means products derived exclusively from milk, on the understanding that substances necessary for their manufacture may be added provided that those substances are not used for the purpose of replacing, in whole or in part, any milk constituent.

The following shall be reserved exclusively for milk products.

- (a) the following designations:
 - (i) whey,
 - (ii) cream,
 - (iii) butter,
 - (iv) buttermilk,
 - (v) butteroil,
 - (vi) caseins,
 - (vii) anhydrous milkfat (AMF),
 - (viii) cheese,
 - (ix) yogurt,
 - (x) kephir,
 - (xi) koumiss,
 - (xii) viili/fil,
 - (xiii) smetana,
 - (xiv) fil;
- (b) designations or names within the meaning of Article 5 of Directive 2000/13/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 March 2000 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs⁽¹⁾, actually used for milk products.

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3. The term 'milk' and the designations used for milk products may also be used in association with a word or words to designate composite products of which no part takes or is intended to take the place of any milk constituent and of which milk or a milk product is an essential part either in terms of quantity or for characterisation of the product.
4. The origin of milk and milk products to be defined by the Commission shall be stated if it is not bovine.

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- (1) [OJ L 109, 6.5.2000, p. 29](#). Directive as last amended by Directive 2003/89/EC ([OJ L 308, 25.11.2003, p. 15](#)).

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