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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 of 28 June 2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91[(1)], and in particular Article 33(3) and Article 38(d) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Annex IV to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008[(2)] sets out the list of control bodies and control authorities competent to carry out controls and issue certificates in third countries for the purpose of equivalence. In the light of new information received by the Commission from control bodies and control authorities listed in that Annex, certain changes should be made in the list.

(2) The Commission has examined requests for inclusion in the list set out in Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008, received by 31 October 2012 and by 31 October 2013. Control bodies and control authorities in respect of which the subsequent examination of all information received led to the conclusion that they complied with the relevant requirements should be included in that list.

(3) Article 10(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 provides that the list of recognised control bodies and control authorities shall contain all the information necessary in respect of each control body and control authority to allow verifying whether products placed on the Union market have been controlled by a control body or control authority recognised in accordance with Article 33(3) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007. In accordance with Article 12(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 'Institut für Marktökologie (IMO)' notified the Commission of the change of its name to 'IMO Swiss AG', effective from 1 January 2013. This change should be included in Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008.

(4) As provided for in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 586/2013[(3)], the deadline for submission of the annual reports for 2012 by control bodies and control

authorities was 30 April 2013. 'Center of Organic Agriculture in Egypt' did not send its annual report by that date. The Commission granted an additional period to 'Center of Organic Agriculture in Egypt' for submitting its annual report but it did not receive that report by 4 November 2013 either. In view of that, in accordance with Article 12(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 'Center of Organic Agriculture in Egypt' should be withdrawn from the list in Annex IV thereto.

(5) Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the regulatory Committee on organic production,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that 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 April 2014.

For the Commission

The President

José Manuel BARROSO

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 355/2014. (See end of Document for details)*

ANNEX

Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 is amended as follows:

(1) in the entry relating to 'Abcert AG', point 3 is replaced by the following:

3. Third countries, code numbers and product categories concerned:

Third country	**Code number**	**Category of products**					
		A	**B**	**C**	**D**	**E**	**F**
Azerbaijan	AZ-BIO-137	x	—	—	x	—	—
Belarus	BY-BIO-137	x	—	—	x	—	—
Georgia	GE-BIO-137	x	—	—	x	—	—
Iran	IR-BIO-137	x	—	—	x	—	—
Kazakhstan	KZ-BIO-137	x	—	—	—	—	—
Moldova	MD-BIO-154	x	—	—	—	—	—
Russia	RU-BIO-137	x	x	—	x	—	—
Ukraine	UA-BIO-137	x	—	—	x	—	—

(2) the entry relating to 'Afrisco Certified Organic, CC' is amended as follows:

(a) point 1 is replaced by the following:

1. Address: 39A Idol Road, Lynnwood Glen, Pretoria 0081, South Africa;

(b) point 3 is replaced by the following:

3. Third countries, code numbers and product categories concerned:

Third country	**Code number**	**Category of products**					
		A	**B**	**C**	**D**	**E**	**F**
Angola	AO-BIO-155	x	—	—	—	—	—
Botswana	BW-BIO-155	x	—	—	—	—	—
Lesotho	LS-BIO-155	x		—	—	—	—

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Malawi	MW-BIO-155	x		—	—	—	—
Mozambique	MZ-BIO-155	x	—	—	x	—	—
Namibia	NA-BIO-155	x	—	—	—	—	—
South Africa	ZA-BIO-155	x	—	—	x	—	—
Swaziland	SZ-BIO-155	x			x		
Zambia	ZM-BIO-155	x	—	—	—	—	—
Zimbabwe	ZW-BIO-155	x					

(3) in the entry relating to ‘Agreco R.F. Göderz GmbH’, point 3 is replaced by the following:

3. Third countries, code numbers and product categories concerned:

Third country	**Code number**	**Category of products**					
		A	**B**	**C**	**D**	**E**	**F**
Azerbaijan	AZ-BIO-151	x	—	—	x	—	—
Cameroon	CM-BIO-151	x	—	—	x	—	—
Ghana	GH-BIO-151	x	—	—	x	—	—
Moldova	MD-BIO-151	x	—	—	x	—	—
Morocco	MA-BIO-151	x	—	—	x	—	—
Ukraine	UA-BIO-151	x	—	—	x	—	—

(4) the entry relating to ‘Australian Certified Organic’ is amended as follows:

(a) point 1 is replaced by the following:

1. Address: PO Box 810 — 18 Eton St, Nundah, QLD 4012, Australia;

(b) point 2 is replaced by the following:

2. Internet address: http://www.aco.net.au;

(c) point 3 is replaced by the following:

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3. Third countries, code numbers and product categories concerned:

Third country	**Code number**	**Category of products**					
		A	**B**	**C**	**D**	**E**	**F**
Australia	AU-BIO-107	—	x	—	x	—	x
Burma/ Myanmar	MM-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
China	CN-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Cook Islands	CK-BIO-107	x	—	—	—	—	—
Fiji	FJ-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Falkland Islands	FK-BIO-107	—	x	—	—	—	—
Hong Kong	HK-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Indonesia	ID-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
South Korea	KR-BIO-107	—	—	—	x	—	—
Madagascar	MG-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Malaysia	MY-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Papua New Guinea	PG-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Singapore	SG-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Taiwan	TW-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Thailand	TH-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Tonga	TO-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—
Vanuatu	VU-BIO-107	x	—	—	x	—	—

(5) the entry relating to ‘BCS Öko-Garantie GmbH’ is amended as follows: