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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs[(1)], and in particular the second sentence of Article 53(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 53(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, the Commission has examined the application from Poland for the approval of an amendment to the specification for the protected geographical indication 'Rogal świętomarciński', registered under Commission Regulation (EC) No 1070/2008[(2)].

(2) The purpose of the application is to amend the specification in order to reduce the lower limit of the weight range of the product.

(3) The Commission has examined the amendment in question and decided that it is justified. Since the amendment is minor, the Commission may approve it without recourse to the procedure laid down in Articles 50 to 52 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The specification for the protected geographical indication 'Rogal świętomarciński' is hereby amended in accordance with Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

Annex II to this Regulation contains the consolidated Single Document setting out the main points of the specification.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 597/2013. (See end of Document for details)*

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 June 2013.

For the Commission, On behalf of the President,

Dacian CIOLOȘ

Member of the Commission

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ANNEX I

The following amendment to the specification for the protected geographical indication ‘Rogal świętomarciński’ has been approved:

The lower limit of the weight range for ‘rogal świętomarciński’ is being reduced to 150 g, and the product’s weight will therefore be 150-250 g.

The proposed amendment is dictated by changes in the behaviour of consumers, who for some time have been calling for a croissant that weighs less. Eating habits have changed and, owing to its current size, the ‘rogal świętomarciński’ is considered too large as a portion of confectionery, especially as it is now baked and consumed throughout the year, and not only on Saint Martin’s day. Reducing the lower weight limit will boost demand and hence broaden the range of consumers, and this should also help to disseminate information about the PGI scheme.

Reducing the weight of the product will in no way affect the specific features of the ‘rogal świętomarciński’ as defined in point 5.2 of the Single Document, or its taste.

This amendment also means that it is necessary to delete the following sentence relating to the dimensions of the croissant from point 3.2 of the Single Document: ‘(It …) fits within a square of approximately 14x14 cm, with a height at its thickest point of approximately 7 cm and a width of approximately 10 cm’. This is a consequence of the change in the permitted weight of the product, and there is no justification for maintaining the dimensions indicated in this case. Nor is there any point in indicating other dimensions, as they would be difficult to specify in view of such a wide range of weights. This is partly due to the baking process, since the craftsmen bakers have no influence over the extent to which the dough increases in volume. It should be pointed out that the deletion of requirements relating to the product’s dimensions will in no way affect its specific shape, which must be maintained regardless of its weight.

ANNEX II

CONSOLIDATED SINGLE DOCUMENTCouncil Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs[(3)]**‘ROGAL ŚWIĘTOMARCIŃSKI’**EC No: PL-PGI-0105-01023-24.07.2012**PGI (X) PDO ( )**

1. **Name**

‘Rogal świętomarciński’

The name ‘rogal świętomarciński’ meets the requirements of Article 2(2) of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 and is the name customarily used to describe a croissant baked in Poznań, the regional capital of Wielkopolska, and in a few surrounding towns. The name of this pastry derives from the tradition of baking and consuming on Saint Martin’s Day (11 November) croissants with a characteristic filling that have been developed in the area in question.

2. **Member State or third country**

Poland

3. **Description of the agricultural product or foodstuff**

3.1. *Type of product*

Class 2.4.Bread, pastry, cakes, confectionery, biscuits and other baker’s wares

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3.2. *Description of the product to which the name in point 1 applies*

The ‘rogal świętomarciński’ is crescent-shaped, coated with icing and sprinkled with chopped nuts. Its cross-section is oval. It weighs between 150 and 250 g. Its surface colour varies from dark golden to light brown. The dough has a cream colour and the filling is creamy brown – varying from pale to dark creamy brown. The baked dough is of elastic consistency and flaky, and presents a porous cross-section, with visible layers. Closer to the middle, rolls of dough are interspersed with a poppy-seed filling. At its centre, the pastry is filled with a poppy-seed filling which is moist to the touch. The characteristic taste and smell – sweet and with a slight almond taste – derive from the ingredients it contains: the yeast dough and the poppy-seed filling.

3.3. *Raw materials (for processed products only)*

The following ingredients are used to make a ‘rogal świętomarciński’:

— For the dough: wheat flour, margarine, milk, eggs, sugar, yeast, salt, lemon flavouring.

— For the filling: white poppy seeds, sugar, crumbs, egg pulp, margarine, raisins, nuts, fruit in syrup or candied fruit (sweet cherries, pear, orange peel), almond flavouring.

— Other ingredients (decorative layer): icing, chopped nuts.

The flour should contain more than 27 % of elastic gluten. This makes it easier to roll out the dough and to obtain the characteristic flaky consistency after layering and rolling with margarine.

3.4. *Feed (for products of animal origin only)*

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3.5. *Specific steps in production that must take place in the identified geographical area*

— Making the yeast dough

— Making the croissant dough

— Preparation of the poppy-seed filling

— Filling and shaping into a croissant

— Baking

— Decoration

3.6. *Specific rules concerning slicing, grating, packaging, etc.*

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3.7. *Specific rules concerning labelling*

The ‘rogal świętomarciński’ may be sold without packaging. If packaging is used, the ‘rogal świętomarciński’ label must also include the protected geographical indication symbol and the words ‘Protected geographical indication’.

4. **Concise definition of the geographical area**

The city of Poznań, as defined by its administrative boundaries, the district of Poznań and the following districts of Wielkopolskie Province:

Chodzież, Czarnków, Gniezno, Gostyń, Grodzisk, Jarocin, Kalisz, and the city of Kalisz,

Koło, Konin, and the city of Konin, Kościan, Krotoszyn, Leszno, and the city of Leszno, Nowy Tomyśl, Oborniki, Ostrów, Piła, Pleszew, Rawicz, Słupca, Szamotuły, Śrem, Środa, Wągrowiec, Wolsztyn, Września