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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 510/2006 of 20 March 2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs[(1)], and in particular the second sentence of Article 9(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to the first subparagraph of Article 9(1) of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 and by virtue of Article 17(2) thereof, the Commission has examined Italy's application for approval of amendments to details in the specification for the protected designation of origin 'Basilico Genovese', registered by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2400/96[(2)], as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1623/2005[(3)].

(2) The request to change the specification concerns adding a provision on affixing to the product's packaging the logo of the name 'Basilico Genovese', the graphical specifications of which are described.

(3) The Commission has examined the amendment in question and decided that it is justified. Since the amendment is a minor one within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006, the Commission can approve it without recourse to the procedure laid down in Articles 5, 6 and 7 of the said Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The specification for the protected designation of origin 'Basilico Genovese' is hereby amended in accordance with Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

The updated Single Document is set out in Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EU) No 611/2010. (See end of Document for details)

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

Done at Brussels, 12 July 2010.

For the Commission

The President

José Manuel BARROSO

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ANNEX I

The specification for the protected designation of origin ‘Basilico Genovese’ is amended as follows:

In Article 8, ‘Packaging’, the following paragraph is added:

Packaging for separate bunches or bags must be of a material meeting the standards in force and bear the words “BASILICO GENOVESE D.O.P.” and the EU PDO symbol, together with the full trademark of the firm and the product logo as described below. The firm’s trademark must be of sufficient size and appropriately placed in relation to the EU PDO symbol and the product’s logo.

The “Basilico Genovese” logo consists of a circular form of the same size as the EU PDO symbol, bearing the words, written out in full, “Basilico Genovese”, with at its centre the acronym “D.O.P.”.

The three graphic elements characterising the product are the following:

— the sun (in yellow), a fundamental symbol of vitality common to all cultures,

— Liguria (in blue), the production area, rich, fertile, and bathed by the sea,

— basil (in green), emphasising the natural character, authenticity and quality of the product qualifying for PDO status.

The image may also appear in monochrome.

The font used for the text is Arial Black, bold, in the same blue as that used for Liguria. The font size is 6 for the words “Basilico Genovese” and 6,5 for “D.O.P.”.



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ANNEX II

SINGLE DOCUMENT Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 on protected geographical indications and protected designations of origin**'BASILICO GENOVESE'**EC No: IT-PDO-0105-0194-30.6.2009**PGI ( ) PDO (X)**

1. **Name**

'Basilico Genovese'

2. **Member State or third country**

Italy

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

3.1. *Type of product*

Class 1.6.Fruit, vegetables and cereals, fresh or processed

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

The protected designation of origin 'Basilico Genovese' refers to the whole, fresh plant grown from seed of indigenous ecotypes and selections of the species *Ocimum Basilicum L*. The plant must have the following characteristics:

— medium to very tall, spreading or cylindrical in growth,
— foliage density classifiable as intermediate (medium-low, medium, medium-tall),
— elliptical leaf form,
— swelling of the blade and edge cuts absent/very slight or slight,
— leaves flat or convex,
— total absence of aroma of mint,
— strong and characteristic odour.

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

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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*

'Basilico Genovese' must be grown under cover or in the open within the geographical area of production.

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

'Basilico Genovese' must be packaged in the area of production in order to preserve the characteristics of the product, which is extremely fragile and prone to drying out.

Basil for sale fresh must be put up in bunches with between two and four pairs of true leaves. The single bunch comprises three to ten plants complete with roots and wrapped individually in paper suitable for foodstuffs bearing the D.O.P. symbol. Larger bunches are called bouquets and contain the number of plants equivalent to ten bunches.

Basil for local or industrial processing comprises portions of whole plants with no more than four pairs of true leaves.

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Packaging must use materials which comply with the standards in force and must bear the PDO logo and the full trademark of the firm.

3.7. *Specific rules concerning labelling*

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