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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in wine[(1)], and in particular Article 53 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In accordance with Article 37(1)(e)(ii) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 753/2002[(2)], third countries may use, as optional particulars, additional traditional terms listed in Annex III to that Regulation, provided the conditions laid down in that Article are fulfilled.

(2) South Africa has requested to be able to use on the Community market the terms ‘ruby’, ‘tawny’ and ‘vintage’. These terms, which are identical to Community additional traditional terms listed in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 753/2002, are used for fortified wines, are regulated in South Africa and have been traditionally used for more than 10 years in the territory of that country. As these terms are strictly defined in an equivalent way as they are for certain Community wines and are used on labels indicating the true place of origin of the wines in question, they are not, therefore, used in a manner so as to mislead consumers. Accordingly, their use should be permitted on the Community market.

(3) Regulation (EC) No 753/2002 should therefore, be amended accordingly.

(4) The Management Committee for Wine has not delivered an opinion within the time-limit set by its Chairman,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 753/2002 is amended as follows:

1. the part of Annex III referring to Portugal is replaced by Annex I to this Regulation;

2. Annex IX is replaced by Annex II to this Regulation.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EC) No 261/2006. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following 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, 15 February 2006.

For the Commission

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

Traditional term	Wines concerned	Product categories	Language	Date added to Annex III	Third country concerned
'PORTUGAL **Traditional specific terms referred to in Article 29**					
Denominação de origem (DO)	All	Quality wine psr, quality sparkling wine psr, quality semi-sparkling wine psr, quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Denominação de origem controlada (DOC)	All	Quality wine psr, quality sparkling wine psr, quality semi-sparkling wine psr, quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Indicação de proveniencia regulamentada (IPR)	All	Quality wine psr, quality sparkling wine psr, quality semi-sparkling wine psr, quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Vinho doce natural	All	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Vinho generoso	DO Porto, Madeira, Moscatel	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		

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	de Setúbal, Carcavelos				
Terms referred to in Article 28					
Vinho regional	All	Table wine with GI	Portuguese		
Additional traditional terms referred to in Article 23					
Canteiro	DO Madeira	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Colheita Seleccionada	All	Quality wine psr, table wine with GI	Portuguese		
Crusted/ Crusting	DO Porto	Quality liqueur wine psr	English		
Escolha	All	Quality wine psr, table wine with GI	Portuguese		
Escuro	DO Madeira	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Fino	DO Porto DO Madeira	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Frasqueira	DO Madeira	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Garrafeira	All	Quality wine psr, table wine with GI Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		
Lágrima	DO Porto	Quality liqueur wine psr	Portuguese		

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