

Message 116

Communication from the Commission - TRIS/(2022) 03442
 Directive (EU) 2015/1535
 Translation of the message 115
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Forwarding of a detailed opinion received by a Member State (Slovakia) (article 6, paragraph 2, second indent of Directive (EU) 2015/1535). This detailed opinion extends the standstill period until 22-12-2022.

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Amplia el plazo del estatu quo hasta 22-12-2022. - Prodlužuje lhůtu pro stávající stav až do 22-12-2022. - Fristen for status quo forlænges til 22-12-2022. - Die Laufzeit des Status quo wird verlängert bis 22-12-2022. - Praeguse olukorra tähtaega pikendatakse kuni 22-12-2022. - Παρατείνει την προθεσμία του status quo μέχρι την 22-12-2022. - Extends the time limit of the status quo until 22-12-2022. - Prolonge le délai de statu quo jusqu'au 22-12-2022. - Proroga il termine dello status quo fino al 22-12-2022. - Pagarina "status quo" laika periodu līdz 22-12-2022. - Pratęsia status quo laiko limitą iki 22-12-2022. - Meghosszabbítja a korábbi állapot határidejét 22-12-2022-ig. - Jestendi t-terminu ta' l-istatus quo sa 22-12-2022. - De status-quo-periode wordt verlengd tot 22-12-2022. - Przedłużenie status quo do 22-12-2022. - Prolonga o prazo do statu quo ate 22-12-2022. - Časový limit momentálneho stavu sa predĺži až do 22-12-2022. - Podaljša rok nespremenjenega stanja do 22-12-2022. - Jatkaa status quo määräaika 22-12-2022 asti - Förlänger tiden för status quo fram till: 22-12-2022 - Удължаване на крайния срок на статуквото до 22-12-2022 - Prelungește termenul status quo-ului până la 22-12-2022.

Die Kommission hat diese ausführliche Stellungnahme am 22-09-2022 empfangen.
 The Commission received this detailed opinion on the 22-09-2022.
 La Commission a reçu cet avis circonstancié le 22-09-2022.

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4. 2022/0441/IRL - B00

5. Article 6(2), second indent of Directive (EU) 2015/1535

6. In the matter of the notified regulation of the Irish government No 2022/0441/IRL "Notification of draft regulations under Section 12 of the Public Health (Alcohol) Act 2018" the Slovak Republic submits the following key comments as a detailed opinion:
 Food labelling is harmonised at European Union level by Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the provision of food information to consumers (Regulation No 1169/2011). The implementation of national rules must comply with the principles laid down in this Regulation. The European Commission (EC) announced its intention to regulate the caloric labelling of alcoholic beverages at the end of the year, launching a 12-month withdrawal period during which Member States cannot submit proposals to amend legislation. At the same time, many important producers have already made voluntary commitments in relation to "responsible messages", not only on product packaging but also in advertising (examples of responsible beer messages: "don't drink and drive", "only for persons over 18 years of age", "pregnant women shouldn't consume alcohol").
 1. In relation to PART 5(3) and Annex 1 of the draft — we propose harmonising the indication of alcohol content by volume (% vol.) The alcohol content must be indicated as a percentage by volume; its expression in grams is contrary to Regulation No 1169/2011. Alcohol content indicators are fully harmonised at the EU level by Regulation No 1169/2011 and cannot be changed or regulated by a Member State.

2. In relation to PART 5(3) of the draft - the European Commission (EC) announced its intention to regulate the caloric labelling of alcoholic beverages at the end of the year, launching a 12-month withdrawal period during which Member States cannot submit proposals to amend national legislation. (Article 6.3 of Directive 2015/1535, TRIS procedure). Energy labelling has to be limited until energy labelling legislation, including labelling of the nutritional values of alcoholic beverages, is implemented.

3. Part 3(11) of the draft — stating the mandatory information provided with alcohol in reusable containers is merely a duplication of the information on the label and has no rational justification for protecting consumer health and, on the contrary, increases administrative and environmental demands on producers.

4. The proposed measures are repetitive, excessively increasing the administrative burden on manufacturers, acquirers, and license holders and do not meet the proportionality criteria nor the approach already based on the same evidence of IE, which was already rejected by the EC in 2016 and 2018. The EC has also announced its intention to regulate this area of health warnings on products containing alcohol, creating a withdrawal period of 12 months for Member States to amend their legislation in this area (Article 6.3 of Directive 2015/1535, TRIS procedure).

5. There is no definition of the approach to products with a zero alcohol content or content of up to 0.5 % vol.

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