

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 726/2010****of 12 August 2010****amending Regulation (EC) No 917/2004 on detailed rules to implement Council Regulation (EC) No 797/2004 on measures improving general conditions for the production and marketing of apiculture products**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 110 in conjunction with Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 917/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> lays down provisions for the implementation of the national apiculture programmes provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007. The Community's financial contribution to those programmes is based on the bee census in each Member State as set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 917/2004.

(2) In the Member States' communications updating the structural data on the situation in the sector as provided for in Article 1(a) of Regulation (EC) No 917/2004, there have been changes in the number of hives.

(3) Regulation (EC) No 917/2004 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(4) Given that Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 917/2004 fixes 31 August as the final date for implementation of measures under the apiculture programmes for the year to which those measures relate, this Regulation should apply from the 2010/2011 marketing year.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for the Common Organisation for Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 917/2004 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

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

It shall apply for the first time to programmes covering the 2010/2011 marketing year.

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

Done at Brussels, 12 August 2010.

*For the Commission*

*The President*

José Manuel BARROSO

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 163, 30.4.2004, p. 83.

## ANNEX

## 'ANNEX I

| Member State | Bee census<br>Number of hives |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| BE           | 112 000                       |
| BG           | 617 420                       |
| CZ           | 497 946                       |
| DK           | 170 000                       |
| DE           | 711 913                       |
| EE           | 24 800                        |
| EL           | 1 502 239                     |
| ES           | 2 459 373                     |
| FR           | 1 338 650                     |
| IE           | 24 000                        |
| IT           | 1 127 836                     |
| CY           | 43 975                        |
| LV           | 64 133                        |
| LT           | 117 977                       |
| LU           | 8 171                         |
| HU           | 900 000                       |
| MT           | 2 722                         |
| NL           | 80 000                        |
| AT           | 367 583                       |
| PL           | 1 123 356                     |
| PT           | 562 557                       |
| RO           | 1 280 000                     |
| SI           | 142 751                       |
| SK           | 235 689                       |
| FI           | 46 000                        |
| SE           | 150 000                       |
| UK           | 274 000                       |
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