## COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amending of the proposal to the Council Directive

amending for the sixth time the Directive of 23 October 1962 on the approximation of the rules of the Member States concerning the colouring matters authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption (COM(77) 609 final)

(submitted to the Council by the Commission pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty)

Modified proposal to the Council Directive amending for the sixth time the Directive of 23 October 1962 on the approximation of the rules of the Member States concerning the colouring matters authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption (COM(77) 609 final)

## 1. Summary

This modified proposal implements the modifications suggested by the European Parliament at its meeting on the 16 December 1977.

## 2. Modification to the proposal of the Directive

2.1 Article 1 is modified as follows:

Article 2 of the Directive of 23 October 1962 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 1. By way of derogation from Article 1 Member States may authorize the <u>further</u> use in foodstuffs of the substances listed in Annex II insofar as they have been permitted hitherto.
- 2. Within two years following notification of this Directive, the Commission shall re-examine the derogations in paragraph 1 and shall propose any necessary amendments to the Council having consulted the Scientific Committee for Food.