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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amended proposal for a

### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

amending Directive 95/2/EC of the European Parliament and the Council on food additives other than colours and sweeteners

> (presented by the Commission pursuant to Article 189 a (2) of the EC-Treaty)

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## Explanatory memorandum

In response to the opinion of the European Parliament<sup>1</sup> delivered on 28 March 1996 on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision amending Directive 95/2/EC of the European Parliament and Council Directive on food additives other than colours and sweeteners COM(95)0177 - 95/0114 (COD)<sup>2</sup> and in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 189A of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, the Commission has decided to amend the above mentioned proposal.

#### The Commission accepts the amendment concerning:

- The modification of the denomination of the substance, which is in accordance with the denomination used in international trade.

#### The Commission does not accept the amendment concerning:

- the number E408 to be assigned, since it is not in accordance with the number used in international trade, and does not follow rules by which additives containing the same active principle are indicated by the same E-number completed by an alphabetical subscript.

- the additional footnote, which is considered superfluous, because the amendment to Directive 95/2 does not change the strict dispositions concerning babyfoods already contained in Directive 95/2/EC which includes already the prohibition for use of E407a.

1 not yet published

<sup>2</sup> OJ C163 29.6.95 p 12

In response to the opinion of the European Parliament<sup>3</sup> delivered on 28 March 1996 on the proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision amending Directive 95/2/EC of the European Parliament and Council Directive on food additives other than colours and sweeteners COM(95)0177 - 95/0114 (COD)<sup>4</sup> and in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 189A of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, the Commission has decided to amend the above mentioned proposal as follows:

The table in the annex is replaced by the following table:

#### Original proposal

#### Amended proposal

E407a Alternatively refined carrageenan

E407a Processed Euchema seaweed

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  not yet published  $^4$  OJ C163 29.6.95 p 12

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