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DECISION No DEC-17/99-V/2011

**ON THE PROVISIONAL APPLICATION OF THE GUIDE FOR THE
DETERMINATION OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF OIL-OLIVES**

**THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE
COUNCIL,**

Having regard to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2005, in particular article 21 concerning the designations and definitions of olive oils, olive-pomace oils and table olives and article 25 concerning standards relating to physical, chemical and organoleptic characteristics and methods of analysis,

Whereas the Members decided in 2008 to study the characteristics of oil-olives in view of the need for a reference guide,

Whereas a pertinent proposal has been framed by the Technical Committee in view of the experience gained in the field of oil-olives and of the importance of the need for an official guide for the determination of the characteristics of oil-olives, the determination of the calculated processing yield of oil-olives, the related sampling methodology, the methods for the calculation of the yield and the criteria for the determination of ripeness;

Whereas the provisional application of such a guide would enable harmonisation of the procedures for determining the characteristics of oil-olives,

DECIDES

The *Guide for the determination of oil-olives* (COI/OH/Doc. No 1) shall be provisionally adopted and recommended for application by the Members.

Interested non-Member States shall be invited to take the guide into consideration.

Madrid (Spain), 25 November 2011.