DECISION No DEC-III-9/106-VI/2017

CONCERNING THE METHOD FOR THE DETERMINATION OF ALIPHATIC AND TRITERPENIC ALCOHOL CONTENT BY CAPILLARY GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY

THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL,

Having regard to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, in particular article 1 “Objectives of the Agreement” as regards standardisation and research, concerning the achievement of uniformity in national and international legislation, and the harmonisation of physico-chemical and organoleptic analysis, to improve knowledge of the composition and quality characteristics of olive products;

Having regard to the current method for the determination of aliphatic and triterpenic alcohols and considering that triterpenic alcohols are markers of the presence of the pomace olive oil and second-phase virgin olive oil, contributing to fraud control;

Having regard to the recommendation made by the Chemistry and Standardisation Committee at its 2nd meeting, during the 106th session of the Council of Members, concerning the revision of the precision values of method COI/T.20/Doc. No 26 Rev. 1;

Whereas the chemistry experts reached a unanimous position at their meeting of 25 and 26 September 2017;

DECIDES

The precision values of the method for the determination of aliphatic and triterpenic alcohols content by capillary gas chromatography COI/T.20/Doc. No 26 shall be revised. The revised method COI/T.20/Doc. No 26/Rev.2 shall replace and revoke method COI/T.20/Doc. No 26/Rev.1 and shall be listed in the IOC trade standard.

Madrid (Spain), 27 November 2017