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Addendum 7

Note by the secretariat

This document contains amendments to the UN/ECE Standards for

- Melons
- Aubergines, Headed Cabbages, Cauliflower, Fennels, Sweet Peppers and Courgettes,

as agreed by the Specialized Section.

The Specialized Section recommends to the Working Party to adopt these texts as revised UN/ECE standards.

This document contains also amendments to the UN/ECE Standard for Avocados for adoption as UN/ECE recommendation for a two-year trial period.

## **Melons**

In section II (Provisions concerning quality), A (Minimum requirements), second paragraph, amend footnote 2 to read as follows:

“<sup>2</sup> The refractometric index of the pulp measured at the middle point of the fruit flesh and at the equatorial section must be greater than or equal to 10% Brix for charentais type melons and 8% Brix for other melons.”

## **Aubergines, Headed Cabbages, Cauliflower, Fennels, Sweet Peppers and Courgettes**

1. Add a final paragraph to section III:

"The size requirements shall not apply to miniature produce.<sup>1</sup>"

<sup>1</sup> Miniature product means a variety or cultivar of vegetable, obtained by plant breeding and/or special cultivation techniques, excluding specimens of non-miniature varieties which have not fully developed or are of inadequate size. All other requirements of the standard must be met."

2. Add the following paragraph to section V:

"Miniature ..... must be reasonably uniform in size. They may be mixed with other miniature products of a different type and origin."

3. In section VI, add the following indent to paragraph d) commercial characteristics:

" - mini ....., baby ....., or other appropriate term for miniature produce. Where several types of miniature produce are mixed in the same package, all products and their respective origins must be mentioned."

## **Avocados**

In section III add a new line to the sizing table:

“100-125 (Hass variety only”) S<sup>\*\*</sup>”

Add a footnote as follows:

“<sup>\*\*</sup>The difference between the smallest and largest fruit within a package should not be more than 15g.”

Amend the last sentence to read:

“Minimum weight for avocados is 125g except for Hass where it is 100g”