

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to Their Excellencies and Messieurs and Mesdames the Chiefs of Mission of the member countries of the World Wine Trade Group and refers to the Protocol to the 2007 World Wine Trade Group Agreement on Requirements for Wine Labelling Concerning Alcohol Tolerance, Vintage, Variety, and Wine Regions, which was done at Brussels on March 22, 2013 (the Protocol), for which the United States of America is depositary. Reference is made also to the Secretary of State's note, dated March 13, 2015, which communicated a proposed correction to the text of Paragraph 4(b) of Article 4 of the Protocol.

Since no objection to the proposed correction has been received, the depositary has executed and encloses herewith a procès-verbal of rectification of the text of Paragraph 4(b) of Article 4 of the Protocol.

The Secretary of State would be grateful if the Chiefs of Mission would forward this information to their respective governments.

Enclosure: As stated.

Department of State,

Washington, November 6, 2015.

**Procès-Verbal of Rectification of the
Text of Paragraph 4(b) of Article 4 of the
Protocol to the 2007 World Wine Trade Group Agreement on
Requirements for Wine Labelling Concerning
Alcohol Tolerance, Vintage, Variety and Wine Regions, done at
Brussels March 22, 2013**

I CERTIFY

(1) That the Government of the United States of America, as depositary for the Protocol to the 2007 World Wine Trade Group Agreement on Requirements for Wine Labelling Concerning Alcohol Tolerance, Vintage, Variety and Wine Regions, done at Brussels March 22, 2013 (the Protocol), was requested by the World Wine Trade Group at its annual meeting held in Tbilisi, Georgia, August 25-27, 2014, to formally propose a correction to Paragraph 4(b) of Article 4 of the Protocol;

(2) That the Government of the United States of America, by a note dated March 13, 2015, notified the Governments of the States concerned with the Protocol of the proposed correction and informed the States concerned that “[i]f no Protocol signatory or contracting State raises an objection to the proposed correction by May 12, 2015, the Government of the United States of America, as depositary for the Protocol, will execute a procès-verbal of rectification of the text.”

(3) That the depositary has received no objection to the proposed correction;

(4) That, accordingly, the text of Paragraph 4(b) of Article 4 of the Protocol is deemed to be corrected as follows:

English Language Version:

“An importing Party may also require in the case of regions recognised by the exporting Party to be delimited grape growing areas, that at least 95 per cent of the wine is derived from grapes of that vintage.”

French Language Version:

“Une Partie importatrice peut également exiger, dans le cas de régions reconnues par la Partie exportatrice comme des espaces géographiques délimités de production de raisins, qu’au moins 95 pour cent du vin provienne de raisins de ce millésime.”

Spanish Language Version:

“Una Parte importadora también podrá requerir, en el caso de regiones reconocidas por la Parte exportadora como áreas delimitadas de cultivo de uvas, que al menos el 95 por ciento del vino provenga de uvas de esa cosecha.”

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, JOHN F. KERRY, Secretary of State of the United States of America, have hereunto caused the seal of the Department of State to be affixed and my name subscribed by the Authentication Officer of the said Department, at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, this sixth day of November, 2015.



John F. Kerry
Secretary of State

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