AGREEMENT

Between the European Community and Australia amending

The Agreement on trade in wine

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, hereinafter referred to as "the Community", of the one part,

and

AUSTRALIA, of the other part,

Having regard to the Agreement between the Community and Australia on trade in wine, signed in Brussels and Canberra respectively on 26 and 31 January 1994, as last amended by the Agreement of 6 August 2002,

Whereas:

Annex I, point 1(b) of that Agreement authorises the use of cation exchange resins for the purpose of stabilising Australian wines imported and marketed in the Community; this authorisation is granted provisionally until 30 June 2003.

Pending a final decision on treatment with cation exchange resins, the authorisation of this treatment for Australian wines should be extended until 30 June 2004,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement between the European Community and Australia on trade in wine, signed in Brussels and Canberra respectively on 26 and 31 January 1994, as last amended by the Agreement of 6 August 2002, is hereby amended as follows:

In Annex I, point 1(b), the date "30 June 2003" is replaced by "30 June 2004".

Article 2

This Agreement shall enter into force on 1 July 2003.

Article 3

This Agreement is drawn up in duplicate in the Spanish, Danish, German, Greek, English, French, Italian, Dutch, Portuguese and Swedish languages, each text being equally authentic.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have signed this Agreement.

Done at Brussels.