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Comments by the delegation of Italy

After having consulted with the industry, Italy would like to submit the following comments on the alternative text presented for the tomatoes standard.

1. Concerning “Definition of product”: Italy agrees with the following paragraph to the Definition of produce:

The following commercial types are distinguished by their size:

- Cherry/cocktail tomatoes which may express all shapes mentioned above and whose maximum size is defined in section III Provisions concerning sizing.

2. Concerning the “Provisions concerning sizing”: Italy would like to maintain the current maximum diameter of 40 mm for the optional sizing.

3. Concerning the “Provisions concerning marking”: Italy would like to clarify the paragraph “Nature of produce” as follows:

-“Tomatoes” or “trusses of tomatoes” and the commercial type, or “cherry tomatoes” or “trusses of cherry tomatoes” or equivalent denomination **for other miniature varieties** if the contents are not visible from the outside.
