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Other business

Proposal to make editorial amendments to the standard for apples

Proposal by the delegation of Germany

In the context of aligning the UNECE Standard on apples and the OECD explanatory brochure on apples, the delegation of Germany would like to inform the Specialized Section of the following proposed editorial amendments to the UNECE Standard:

Under 1. Minimum requirements

“free from serious watercore except for varieties marked with a V”

The reader might not know, where the varieties must be marked with a V.

Thus, I would propose, to write:

“free from serious watercore1” and then insert a footnote reading “Varieties marked with “V” in the annex are exempt from the provisions on serious watercore.” – This would be in line with the reference to varieties being prone to russetting.

For the French version:

“exemptes de défauts importants dus à la maladie vitreuse”

« Les variétés marquées avec un « V » dans l’annexe sont exemptes des dispositions concernant les défauts importants dus à la maladie vitreuse. »

Under 2. Maturity requirements

“The apples must be sufficiently developed, and display satisfactory ripeness.”

This sentence is duplicating the second paragraph. It should be deleted.
