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Addendum 6

AMENDMENTS TO THE UNECE STANDARD FOR PRUNES

Note by the Secretariat: The Specialized Section agreed the amendments contained in this document at its 50th session and recommends to the Working Party to revise the UNECE Standard for Prunes accordingly.

1. Amend III D. as follows (new text is underlined):

D. "Pressure Pitted Prunes" "Type E", "Class II"

Sizing of pressure pitted prunes is not obligatory unless they are sold in small packages intended for the consumer.

2. In the Annex concerning methods of determining the moisture content of prunes amend the first paragraph as follows (new text is underlined):

Preparation of the sample

On the basis of a representative sample of the consignment, approximately 450 g of the prunes are taken. The prunes, without pits, are crushed in a food grinder with a mesh gauge not greater than 4.76 mm (3/16 of an inch).

This operation is performed as quickly as possible to avoid loss of moisture.