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Vegetables

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REVIEW OF PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE UN/ECE STANDARDS

KIWIFRUIT

Note by the secretariat

The following proposal is reproduced in the form in which it was received from France.

Proposal for amendment of UN/ECE standard FFV-46 concerning
the marketing and commercial quality control of

KIWIFRUIT

(proposed modifications are in bold type)

VI. PROVISIONS CONCERNING MARKING

In order to make available all relevant information concerning the product, **footnote 2 should be deleted**, since the markings on prepacked units should inform the end consumer about the produce which he is buying.

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D. Commercial specifications

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- Size expressed by the minimum and maximum weight of the fruit (**the words "if not packed in rows" to be deleted**).

This deletion makes it compulsory to mark the size of fruits by weight, however they are packed.

- Number of fruits if packed in rows (**optional**) (see line above).

In addition, consultations indicate that "flat" fruits, while relatively common, have not been defined, although this is a defect of shape. We suggest a definition of such fruits which could be presented as an annex.

Limits of acceptable deformations:

Category I: "flat" fruits are admissible provided that the ratio of the smallest to the largest diameter is greater than or equal to 0.7.

Category II: the presence of fruits with a ratio of 0.5 will be tolerated if the deformations are not too marked and they do not resemble double or triple fruits in appearance.
