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SUBJECT: <<Chios Gum Mastic PDO>>

Re: The no. 84/84/10.10.05 document of the Chios Gum Mastic Growers Association

The Ministry of Rural Development & Food hereby certifies that:

1) Chios Gum Mastic was registered, on the basis of Council Regulation (EEC)2081/92 <<for the protection of the geographical indications and the designations of origin of the agricultural products and foodstuffs>> (L208/24.7.92), as a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO), in the Community list of Protected Designations of Origin (PDO) and Protected Geographical Indications (PGI), by Regulation (EC) 123/1997 (L022/24.1.97).

2) Chios Gum Mastic was categorized in the class <<natural gums and resins>> which comes under annex I to Regulation (EC)2081/92 which includes the foodstuffs mentioned in article 1, par 1 of the said regulation.

In annex II to Regulation (EC)383/2004 (L64/2.3.04), <<for details on the implementation of Council regulation (EEC) no. 2081/92 as far as the summary bulletin of basic elements of obligation writing is concerned>>, class 2.5 <<natural gums and resins>>, where Chios mastic gum belongs, comes under the broader category <<foodstuffs mentioned in annex I to regulation (EEC) 2081/92>>.

3) Chios Gum Mastic is a product in conformity to the national legislation (Ministerial Decision 317707/14.1.94 (Gov. Gazette 17/B/14.1.94) and has been registered in the National Code of Food, Beverages and Common Use Objects in Part A - Food & Beverages (article 42, par 30) – condiments and essential oils.

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DEPT. OF SECRETARIAL SERVICES
(Signature) K. Anastasiou (Ministry Seal)

The Head of the Directorate
G. VRANAKI

True translation from the attached original Greek document.

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