

Community Tobacco Fund: transfer of tobacco aid (2008 and 2009) and financing of the Fund

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PURPOSE: to amend Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 as regards the transfer of tobacco aid to the Community Tobacco Fund for the years 2008 and 2009 and Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 with regard to financing of the Community Tobacco Fund.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Regulation (EC) No 470/2008 amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 as regards the transfer of tobacco aid to the Community Tobacco Fund for the years 2008 and 2009 and Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 with regard to financing of the Community Tobacco Fund.

CONTENT: the Community Tobacco Fund aims to finance the campaign against tobacco, as well as actions for the reconversion of production. Actions funded by the Community Tobacco Fund have proved to be very successful as well as a positive example of cooperation between agriculture and health policies. In order to ensure the continuation of those actions, and taking into account that the Fund has always been funded by transfer from the tobacco aid, it is appropriate to transfer an amount equal to 5 % of the tobacco aid granted for the calendar years 2008 and 2009 to the Community Tobacco Fund. The Council has amended Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 and Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 accordingly.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 06/06/2008.