Foodstuffs :honey

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OBJECTIVE: pursuant to the undertakings given by the Community, simplification of certain vertical Directives relating to food to take account only of the essential requirements to be met by the products they cover in order that those products may move freely within the internal market. SUBSTANCE: the proposal for a Council Directive deletes the exemption in Directive 74/409/EEC allowing Member States to authorize designation of industrial or baker's honey as 'honey'. Moreover, the Commission intends to encourage the circles concerned to develop harmonized methods of analysis allowing verification of compliance with the quality specifications for honeys of various botanical or geographical origin.