Foodstuffs, alcoholic beverages: labelling, presentation and advertising

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OBJECTIVE: taking into consideration the need to inform consumers the proposal for a directive, given the lack of progress in this area, is intended to relaunch the debate on the list of ingredients for alcoholic beverages. SUBSTANCE: the new proposal amending Directive 79/112/EEC takes account of certain criticisms regarding the maximum time-limit for adopting the rules for the labelling of ingredients and the simultaneous entry into force for all beverages of the obligation to label the ingredients. It provides that the rules for labelling the ingredients of beverages containing more than 1.2% of alcohol by volume are to be adopted within a period of three years starting on 1 July 1998.