Fruit and vegetables, producer organisations: starting date of the transitional period (rectif. Regulation (EC) No 2200/96)

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PURPOSE : to rectify Regulation 2200/96/EC relating to the starting date of the transitional period for the recognition of producer organisations. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Regulation 1881/2002/EC. CONTENT : pursuant to Article 13(1) of Council Regulation 2200/96/EC, a transitional period of 2 years - which can be extended to 5 years - had been set for the producer organisations (PO's) in Article 13. This period was introduced to enable PO's to qualify for recognition under the new Regulation. The entry into force for this specific provision had been set on 21 November 1996 while the date of application for the whole Regulation was set on 1 January 1997. The adopted Regulation (the Italian delegation voting against) intends to correct this mistake by amending Article 13 and setting the beginning of the transitional period on 1 January 1997. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 12/11/2002.