Interdiction frappant l'utilisation de certains additifs dans la production de certaines denrées alimentaires

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Mrs Françoise GROSSETETE (F, EPP) saw her report adopted on the proposal for a EP and Council Decision on the maintenance of national laws prohibiting the use of certain additives in the production of certain foodstuffs). This Commission proposal was due after the adoption of Directive 94/34 CE on 30 June 1994, which asked the Commission to set, according to specified criteria, a list of products for which the Member states were allowed to ban the use of additives in so-called traditional products. The Committee received a short list of 8 products, with German beer (Reinheidsgebot) on top. Originally, 9 of the 15 Member States submitted lists to the Commission covering a total of 300 foodstuffs, above all cheeses, prepared meats and spirituous beverages. Of these 300 products, only the 8 mentioned above remain in the annex. Italy and Spain did not supply the requisite clarifications. The Committee adopted 4 amendments, of which nrs 1 and 4, tabled by Mrs Marianne Thijssen (B, EPP) aim to introduce a labelling obligation. When labelling is possible, the label should state that the foodstuff has been produced using traditional methods in the named Member State. Also carried was am 2, tabled by Mrs Kirsten JENSEN (DK, PES) adding Danish liver paté and Danish meatballs to the list. Am 3, tabled by Mrs Anneli HULTHEN (Sw., PES) asked to add to the list the traditional Swedish fruit syrups.