

Article 18

Withdrawal

A Party may withdraw from this Agreement by providing written notification to the depositary. The depositary shall promptly communicate the notification to the Parties. Withdrawal shall take effect six months after the date the depositary receives the notification, unless the notification specifies a later date. The withdrawal shall not take effect if the notification is withdrawn prior to the expiry of the six months, or where a later date is specified, the occurrence of that date.

Article 19

Parties and Entry into Force

1. This Agreement shall be open for signature by Parties to the Mutual Acceptance Agreement until 1 December 2007.
2. This Agreement is subject to ratification, acceptance or approval by signatory States. Instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval shall be deposited with the depositary, which shall promptly communicate them to the other signatory States.
3. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date the depositary receives the second instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval. It shall enter into force for each subsequent signatory State thereafter on the first day of the month following the date of deposit of its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval.
4. A signatory State will seek to deposit its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval within 30 months of the date this Agreement enters into force, or such longer period as the Council may decide. If a signatory State has not deposited such instrument by the end of this period, the signatory State shall no later than 90 days before depositing its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval, provide to the depositary a copy of its laws, regulations and requirements relating to wine labelling practices and the mechanisms to regulate them.

Article 20

New Parties

1. Any State that has not signed this Agreement may by written application to the depositary seek to accede to it. Such application shall include a copy of that State's laws, regulations and requirements relating to labelling practices and the mechanisms to regulate them, and a statement of the applicant's approach towards the Mutual Acceptance Agreement.