

ANSWERS TO EUROPEAN UNION:

1-The draft has been prepared in the context of the harmonization to the EU taking into account of 251/2014 as mentioned product specification taken into the draft.

2- Amendments regarding using “fresh grape must with fermentation arrested by the addition of alcohol” has been made.

3- Amendments regarding addition of “grape must, partially fermented grape must, or both” has been made.

4- Article 2 of Annex I defined in 251/2014 ;

(a) semi-white sugar, white sugar, extra-white sugar, dextrose, fructose, glucose syrup, sugar solution, invert sugar solution, invert sugar syrup, as defined in Council Directive 2001/111/EC (1);

Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Sugar has been prepared in the context of the harmonization to EU taking into account of 2001/111/EC. Thus, part related to “sweetening” in the draft fully harmonizes with 251/2014.

5- “Turkish Food Codex Regulation on Flavourings and Certain Food Ingredients with Flavouring Properties for Use in and on Foods” has been prepared in the context of the harmonization to EU taking into account of 1334/2008/EC. Thus, part related to “sweetening” in the draft fully harmonizes with 251/2014.

6-8- “Turkish Food Codex Regulation on Food Additives” has been prepared in the context of the harmonization to EU taking into account of 1333/2008/EC. Thus, part related to “sweetening” in the draft fully harmonizes with 251/2014.

7-Article 7-b of the draft was amended as given below:

“Vermut/Vermouth: Aromatised wine to which alcohol has been added, and whose characteristic taste has been obtained by the use of appropriate substances of *Artemisia* species.”

9-Article 16 of the draft refers to not adding caffeine, guarana and ginseng extracts as “should not” in that possible adverse effects of interaction of those substances with alcohol.