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TEXTS ADOPTED

P10_TA(2026)0374

Geographical indications: aligning EU rules with changes to the implementing provisions under the Lisbon Agreement

European Parliament legislative resolution of 12 November 2026 on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 as regards amendments adopted by the Assembly of the Lisbon Union on 14 July 2025 to the Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications (COM(2026)0069 – C10-0030/2026 – 2026/0044(COD))

(Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

– having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council (COM(2026)0069),

– having regard to Article 294(2) and Article 207 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C10-0030/2026),

– having regard to Article 294(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

– having regard to the provisional agreement approved by the responsible committee under Rule 75(4) of its Rules of Procedure and the undertaking given by the Council representative by letter of 30 September 2026 to approve Parliament’s position, in accordance with Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

– having regard to Rule 60 of its Rules of Procedure,

– having regard to the letter of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development,

– having regard to the report of the Committee on Legal Affairs (A10-

0211/2026),

1. Adopts its position at first reading hereinafter set out;

2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it replaces, substantially amends or intends to substantially amend its proposal;

3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the national parliaments.

P10_TC1-COD(2026)0044

Position of the European Parliament adopted at first reading on 12 November 2026 with a view to the adoption of Regulation (EU) 2026/... of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 as regards amendments to the Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement *for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration and the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement* on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 207 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,

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Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure[1],

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[1] Position of the European Parliament of 12 November 2026.

Whereas:

(1) The Union is a Contracting Party to the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications[2] ***(the 'Geneva Act')***. Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council[3] establishes the rules and procedures concerning actions of the Union following its accession to the Geneva Act.

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2 ***OJ L 271, 24.10.2019, p. 15, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2019/1754/oj.***

3 Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2019 on the action of the Union following its accession to the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications (OJ L 271, 24.10.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1753/oj).

(2) The Geneva Act protects appellations of origin and geographical indications, including protected designations of origin, protected geographical indications and geographical indications within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council[4], as well as protected geographical indications within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 of the European Parliament and of the Council[5], which together are referred to as 'geographical indications' in Regulation (EU) 2019/1753. It should be ensured that the correspondence between the geographical indications protected under the Union system, on the one hand, and the registrations of the respective geographical indications of the Union and of Member States in the International Register maintained by the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (the 'International Register'), on the other hand, can be maintained in the event that the geographical indications protected under the Union system are amended.

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4 ***Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (OJ L, 2024/1143, 23.4.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1143/oj).***

5 ***Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 on the protection of geographical indications for craft and industrial products and amending Regulations (EU) 2017/1001 and (EU) 2019/1753 (OJ L, 2023/2411, 27.10.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2411/oj).***

(3) On 14 July 2025, during the ***66th*** Series of Meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of ***the*** World Intellectual Property Organization, the Assembly of the Lisbon Union adopted amendments to the Common Regulations under the Lisbon Agreement for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration and the Geneva Act ▌ of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications (***the*** ‘Common Regulations’) ▌. Those new rules entered into force on 1 July 2026.

(4) As a consequence of the adoption of ***those*** amendments to the Common Regulations ▌, ▌ Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 should be amended ▌ to enable the Union to continue to ***meet its obligations*** as a Contracting Party to the Geneva Act ***and to make use of the new procedural options provided for in the amended Common Regulations***.

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(5) In particular, ***in accordance with amended*** Rule 15 of the Common Regulations***, and in addition to the existing list of permissible modifications, which includes, among others, modifications of the geographical area and of the beneficiary***, Contracting Parties are able to submit requests for entry in the International Register of several new types of modifications: modification of the name of ***a registered*** geographical indication ▌ , modification of the type of good or ***goods*** to which a registered geographical indication applies, and modification of the description of the particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics of a ▌ registered geographical indication***, as referred to*** in Rule 5(3) of the Common Regulations.

(6) At present, Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 does not ***provide any procedure for*** requests for entry in the International Register of a modification.

(7) It is therefore necessary to ***establish the appropriate*** procedures to enable the ▌ Union ***to submit*** requests ***for entry in the International Register of modifications, as referred to in amended Rule 15 of the Common Regulations***. The requests for modifications ***submitted*** by the Union should concern ***all*** geographical indications of the ***Union and of*** Member States ***that are registered in the International Register in respect of*** which the Commission or***, in the case of geographical indications for craft and industrial products,*** the European Union Intellectual Property Office (***the*** 'Office'), ▌ is ***the*** Competent Authority ***within the meaning of the Geneva Act***.

(8) In particular, to maintain the correspondence between the registrations of, on the one hand, geographical indications protected in the Union system and, on the other hand, geographical indications of the Union and of Member States registered in the International Register, a mechanism should be provided that enables the Commission or, as applicable, the Office, to ensure such correspondence in the case of amendments to the product specification of a geographical indication protected in the Union system. In addition, modifications of the geographical area of a geographical indication registered in the International Register, which were already included among the permissible modifications under Rule 15 of the Common Regulations before its amendment, should also be covered by that mechanism. In contrast, modifications under Rule 15 of the Common Regulations that do not affect the product specification of a geographical indication protected in the Union system, such as modifications of the beneficiaries, should not be covered by that mechanism, as they do not affect the correspondence between geographical indications protected under the Union system and geographical indications registered in the International Register.

(9) It is appropriate to make a distinction between two ***groups of amendments*** of the ▌ product ***specification of a*** geographical indication, protected under Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 or Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, ***that can result in a modification*** of the ***corresponding geographical indication registered in the International Register. The first group of amendments are those that result in a substantive discrepancy between the*** geographical indications ***protected in the Union system and those registered in the International Register. Amendments of the product specification concerning the name of the geographical indication or the classification of the product that result in a modification of the type of good or goods under the Geneva Act should be considered to fall within that first group. In order to maintain the correspondence between a geographical indication protected in the Union system and the corresponding geographical indication registered in the International Register***, the Commission ***or, as applicable, the Office,*** should ***be required*** to request the entry of a modification of the corresponding ▌ geographical indication registered in the International Register, after approval of the ***respective*** amendment in accordance with the Union law***, unless the Member State from which the geographical indication originates indicates that it no longer wishes to maintain the international registration and requests its cancellation***. ***In such cases, for the international registration to be cancelled, the Member State from which the geographical indication originates should submit its request to the Commission or, as applicable, the Office, by the date on which the amendment of the geographical indication was approved in accordance with the Union law.***

(10) ***The second group of amendments are those that do not necessarily result in a substantive discrepancy between the geographical indications protected in the Union system and those registered in the International Register. Amendments of the geographical area or of the*** quality, reputation or characteristics ▌ of the ▌ geographical indication ***protected*** in the ***Union*** system ***should be included in that second group***. It should be possible to request the entry of a modification of ***the particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics, as laid down in Rule 5(3) of the Common Regulations, of a*** geographical indication registered in the International Register, ***following an amendment of the product specification, as regards the quality, reputation or characteristics, of a geographical indication protected in the Union system*** at the initiative of the Member State from which that geographical indication originates, following approval of the amendment in accordance with Union law.

(11) ***The Union should be allowed to refuse protection of a geographical indication in cases where the Commission or, as applicable, the Office, is notified of a modification or correction of a third country geographical indication registered in the International Register, in respect of which a Contracting Party is allowed to declare, in accordance with amended Rule 15(5) or amended Rule 18(4) of the Common Regulations, that it cannot ensure the protection of the geographical indication because of the modification or correction. It would be*** appropriate ***to assess such modifications or corrections*** under ***the already existing procedure to be applied following the notification*** to the ***Commission or, as applicable, the Office, of the registration of geographical indications of third countries in the International Register. However, in order to avoid excessive and disproportionate burden, such a procedure should be mandatory only for modifications*** of the ***name or of the type of good or goods related to third country geographical indications registered in the International Register***. ***For corrections or modifications of particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics, as laid down in Rule 5(3) of the Common Regulations, of a third country geographical indication registered in the International Register, the procedure should be initiated only upon the request of a Member State or on the own initiative of the Commission or, as applicable, of the Office.***

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(12) In addition, ***for the*** simplification and ***efficiency*** of the procedures under Regulation (EU) 2019/1753, the obligation for Member States that were ***Contracting Parties to*** the Lisbon Agreement ***for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration*** before the accession of the Union to the Geneva Act to transmit to the Commission any notification made by the International Bureau under ***that*** Agreement, and the obligation for the Commission to transmit those notifications to all other Member States, should be removed.

(13) In respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Commission should, in the specific cases identified in ▌ Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, be able to take over from the Office the power to decide on ***requests for*** registration ***of*** geographical indications of the ***Union in the International Register, for modifications and cancellations of registrations of geographical indications of the*** Union or of Member States, and on the protection, refusal of protection, ***modification, correction and invalidation of third country international registrations***. That is justified in particular because the registration of the proposed geographical indication might be contrary to public policy, or such registration - or the rejection of the application - might jeopardise the Union’s trade or external relations.

(14) ▌ Union law on geographical indications was reformed by Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 ▌ , which establishes a ***uniform*** framework for geographical indications ***concerning wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products*** in the Union, enhancing the protection and recognition of products such as wine, spirit drinks, and agricultural products. That Regulation amended Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013[6] ***and (EU) 2019/787[7] of the European Parliament and of the Council and*** repealed Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 ***of the European Parliament and of the Council***[8]. References to those Regulations should***,*** therefore***,*** be replaced by references to Regulation (EU) 2024/1143.

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6 ***Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2013/1308/oj).***

7 ***Regulation (EU) 2019/787 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of the names of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs, the protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks, the use of ethyl alcohol and distillates of agricultural origin in alcoholic beverages, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 (OJ L 130, 17.5.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/787/oj).***

8 ***Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs (OJ L 343, 14.12.2012, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2012/1151/oj).***

(15) Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 should, therefore, be amended accordingly.

(16) In accordance with the principle of proportionality, it is necessary and appropriate to amend Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 to achieve the basic objective of taking into account the amendments to the Common Regulations. This Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve the objective pursued, in accordance with Article 5(4) of the Treaty on European Union.

(17) In order to allow for right holders in the Union to benefit as soon as possible from the ability to request the entry in the International Register of modifications of registrations under the Geneva Act, as well as to enable the Union, as soon as possible, to refuse protection under the Geneva Act following a modification or correction by another Contracting Party to the Geneva Act, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Amendments to Regulation (EU) 2019/1753

Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 is amended as follows:

(1) in Article 1, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. For the purposes of this Regulation, the term “geographical indications” covers:

(a) appellations ▌ of origin and geographical indications ***within the meaning of the Geneva Act;***

(b) ***protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications*** for wine ▌ and agricultural products***, as well as geographical indications for spirit drinks,*** within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council*; and

(c) ***protected*** geographical indications for craft and industrial products within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 ***of the European Parliament and of the Council***□□.

In respect of appellations of origin relating to craft and industrial products which are the subject of an international registration, protection in the Union shall be construed as specified in Articles 6 and 40 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411.

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* Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (*OJ L, 2024/1143,* 23.04.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1143/oj).

□□ ***Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 on the protection of geographical indications for craft and industrial products and amending Regulations (EU) 2017/1001 and (EU) 2019/1753 (OJ L, 2023/2411, 27.10.2023, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2411/oj).***’;

(2) the following article is ***inserted***:

‘Article 2a

Modifications ***of Union’s and Member States’ registrations*** of geographical indications in the International Register

1. Following the ***approval***, in accordance with Union law, of an amendment of the ***product specification concerning the*** name ***or*** classification of the product ***that implies a modification*** of the ***type of good or goods under the Geneva Act of*** geographical indications originating in the Union and protected in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 or Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Office, shall present to the International Bureau a request for entry of a modification of the name ***or*** of the type of ***good or goods in relation to*** the corresponding ▌ geographical indication ▌ registered in the International Register ▌.

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2. The Commission or, as applicable, the Office, shall be exempt from the obligation to request the entry in the International Register of a modification in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article in cases where the Member State in which the geographical indication originates, by the date on which the amendment of the product specification of the geographical indication has been approved in accordance with Union law, requests the Commission or, as applicable, the Office, to cancel the corresponding registration in the International Register in accordance with Article 3(1), point (b).

3. Upon the request of a Member State, following the ***approval***, in accordance with Union law, of an amendment of ***the product specification as regards the*** geographical ***area or the quality, reputation or characteristics of*** a geographical indication that originates in the territory of that Member State and that is protected in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 or Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Office, may present to the International Bureau a request for entry of a modification of the ***geographical area or of the*** particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics, as laid down in Rule 5(3) of the Common Regulations, of the corresponding ▌ geographical indication registered in the International Register.▌ ’;

(3) in Article 7, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. Where, based on the assessment carried out pursuant to Article 5, the conditions laid down in that Article are not fulfilled or an admissible opposition as set out in Article 6(2) has been received, the Commission shall, by means of an implementing act, decide whether to grant protection of a geographical indication registered in the International Register. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 15(2). In respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the decision whether to grant protection shall be adopted by the Office.’;

(4) the following article is ***inserted***:

‘Article 7a

Modifications ***and corrections in relation to*** third country geographical indications ▌ registered in the International Register

1. Articles 4 to 7 of this Regulation shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to a modification of the name or of the type of ***good or goods in relation to*** geographical indications registered in the International Register in respect of which the Contracting Party of Origin, as defined in point (xv) of Article 1 of the Geneva Act, is not a Member State, and which has been notified to the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, to the Office, pursuant to Rule 15(3) of the Common Regulations. ▌

2. Upon the request of a Member State or upon its own initiative, the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the Office, may apply the procedure set out in Articles 4 to 7 of this Regulation, mutatis mutandis, to a modification of the particulars concerning the quality, reputation or characteristics, as laid down in Rule 5(3) of the Common Regulations, of a geographical indication referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article or to a correction in relation to a geographical indication registered in the International Register in respect of which the Contracting Party of Origin is not a Member State which has been notified to the Commission or, in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, to the Office, pursuant to Rule 18(3) of the Common Regulations.';

(5) in Article 8, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. The implementing acts adopted by the Commission pursuant to ***Articles*** 7 and 7a shall apply without prejudice to other specific Union provisions relating to the placing of products on the market and, in particular, to the common organisation of agricultural markets, sanitary and phytosanitary standards, and food labelling.

In respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products, the first subparagraph shall apply mutatis mutandis to the decisions of the Office.’;

(6) in Article 12, paragraph 5 is deleted;

(7) the following article is ***inserted***:

‘Article 12a
Application of Article 30 of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411

Article 30, (1) to (5) of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 shall apply mutatis mutandis to the procedures set out in this Regulation in respect of geographical indications for craft and industrial products.’;

(8) in Article 15, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. The Commission shall be assisted by the following committees within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, in respect of the following products:

(a) for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products falling within the scope of Article 5(1) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143, the Quality Policy Committee for agricultural products, wine and spirit drinks established by Article 88 of that Regulation;

(b) for craft and industrial products falling within the scope of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411, the Committee for Craft and Industrial Geographical Indications established by Article 68 of that Regulation.’.

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the ▌ day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at …,

For the European Parliament	*For the Council*
The President	*The President*