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## **COUNCIL DECISION**

From the Tobacco and Alcohol Market Regulation Agency:

COUNCIL DECISION ON AMENDING THE COUNCIL DECISION

CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF DATA INCLUDED

ON THE INGREDIENTS DECLARATION AND TOXICOLOGY DATA TABLES

**Decision No: 9010** 

**Decision Date: 11/03/2015** 

**ARTICLE 1** – The following article has been added to the "Annex 1. List of Ingredients Not Allowed to be Used in the Production of Tobacco Products" presented in the Council Decision Concerning the Assessment of Data Included on the Ingredients Declaration and Toxicology Data Tables no. 6896 dated 4/5/2012 published in Official Gazette edition 28308 dated 30/5/2012 amended by Council Decision 7105 dated 28/11/2012 published in Official Gazette edition 28484 dated 1/12/2012.

"d) During the process of obtaining the raw materials used in the production of cut tobacco for cigarettes and hand-rolling products supplied to the market after being produced in Turkey or being imported, which are obtained by processing any element/elements of the tobacco used for producing these products, the use of menthol and/or its derivatives (Lamiaceae family's Mentha (mint) types, l-menthol, d-menthol, menthon, menthyl esters, menthyl acetate, mint extract, mint oil and mint lacton); as an additive or in the cigarette paper, on the edge adhering spot, in the ink used on the cigarette paper, on the tip paper and ink of the tip paper, in its aluminum foil and supply to market packaging is prohibited."

 $MADDE\ 2$  – The following temporary article has been added to the same Decision.

"The supply of cut tobacco for cigarette and hand-rolling products in which menthol and/or its derivatives have been used

TEMPORARY ARTICLE 3-(1) The cut tobacco for cigarette and hand-rolling products that do not comply with clause (d) of the Annex 1 list of this Decision; will be allowed to be supplied to the market until 01/06/2017 and supply to market permit renewal will continue until 31/12/2018. No permission will be issued after the specified dates.

(2) The cut tobacco for cigarette and hand-rolling products that do not comply with clause (d) of the Annex 1 list of this Decision may continue to be produced until 01/01/2019 and maintained in the market until 20/05/2020. After the specified dates no production may continue and these products cannot be kept in the market."

**ARTICLE 3** – This Council Decision shall go into effect as of the publication date.