ENLARGEMENT

OLIVE OIL AND TABLE OLIVES

Non-exhaustive list of issues and questions to facilitate preparations for bilateral meetings

1. BASIC INFORMATION

(in tonnes, for marketing years 1992/93-2004/05 - i.e. from 1/11 to 31/10)

OLIVE OIL

- Domestic production
- Total domestic use (consumption)
- Imports: by quality (extra-virgin, virgin, lampante, etc.)
 - inward processing
- Exports: by quality (extra-virgin, virgin, lampante, etc.)
 - by packaging (small packages, bulk over 5 litres)
 - inward processing

TABLE OLIVES

- Domestic production
- Total domestic use (consumption)
- Imports
- Exports

2. STRUCTURE

- Surface cultivated with olive trees in ha.
- Number of olive trees
- New plantations since 1998 (number of trees)
- Average annual rates of growth since 1992/93 (production, area, yield)
- Total number of olive oil and/or table olives producers

- Number of producers' groups and unions
- Mills: number of mills
 - structure (number of mills detailed by capacity)
- Olive oil/table olives processing facilities. Number of: i) refining facilities, ii) facilities for producing olive pomace oil, iii) olive oil bottling/canning plants, iv) table olive packing stations.

3. MARKET PRICES

Average domestic prices at producer and wholesale level of: extra-virgin olive oil and lampante olive oil (annual since 1992/93, monthly as of 01/11/2004).

4. <u>CONTROL MEASURES / LEGISLATION</u>

• Control measures

Legislation for standards on marketing, labelling and packaging of olive oil/table olives. Dispositions for enforcement.

Legislation for standards on marketing, labelling and packaging of other edible oils. Dispositions for enforcement.

National Authority(ies) responsible for the controls of the marketed olive oil /table olives (from the farm to the shelf).

Is there any Intervention Agency for olive oil /table olives? If yes, its role, responsibilities, type and conditions of intervention during the last years.

5. TRADE

Is there any system (e.g. licence system) for trade (imports/exports) with third countries?

If so, description of the system (delivery documents, type of control, securities, validity of certificates etc.).

Custom duties applied to imports of olive oil (by quality) and table olives.

Are there quality or quantity restrictions for imports or exports of olive oil /table olives? Same question for other edible oils.

Are there any subsidies for exports of olive oil /table olives (direct aids for traders, warranty or assurance on credits, fiscal exemptions etc.)?

Are there any import/export agreements regarding olive oil/table olives with third countries (PECO, GATT and others with reduction rate applied in front of normal duties for a certain quota, or other dispositions facilitating bilateral trade flows)?

Is there any national programme aiming at the promotion of olive oil/table olives in third countries? If yes please detail its scope, targets, beneficiaries, budget etc.