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PART II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Powers of authorised officers

8.—(1) An authorised officer may, on producing, if so required, some duly authenticated document showing his authority, at any reasonable time enter any land or vehicle (other than any land or a vehicle used solely as a dwelling), for the purpose of ascertaining whether any offence under these Regulations has been or is being committed.

(2) An authorised officer who has entered any land or vehicle in accordance with paragraph (1) of this regulation may—

- (a) inspect any materials or articles found in or on that land or vehicle;
- (b) examine any record, register or document which any person is required to keep under any relevant Community provision or which is in the possession or under the control of any person and which is, or which such authorised officer has reasonable grounds to believe may be, relevant to an offence as described in paragraph (1) above and may take copies of any such record, register or document, or of any entry in any such record, register or document and where any such record, register or document is kept by means of a computer, have access to, and inspect the operation of, any computer and any associated apparatus or material which is or has been in use in connection with that record, register or document and require such record, register or document to be produced in a form in which it may be taken away;
- (c) retain any such record, register or document which he has reason to believe may be required as evidence in proceedings under these Regulations;
- (d) undertake stock counts of wine-sector products and of any substances or products which may be used for the preparation of such products; and
- (e) purchase or take samples of any wine-sector product and of any substances or products which may be used for the preparation of such products.

(3) An authorised officer who has procured a sample of any wine-sector product may analyse or examine or have analysed or examined that sample.

(4) An authorised officer entering any land or vehicle by virtue of this regulation may take with him such other persons as he considers necessary.