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### THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Directive 2002/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 June 2002 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to food supplements<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 4(5) thereof,

After consulting the European Food Safety Authority,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 2002/46/EC specifies the vitamins and minerals, and for each of them the forms, that may be used for the manufacture of food supplements.
- (2) Those vitamin and mineral substances that have been evaluated by the European Food Safety Authority (hereafter 'the Authority') and have received a favourable scientific evaluation should be included in the Annexes to Directive 2002/46/EC.
- (3) Favourable scientific evaluation for some vitamins and mineral substances has been recently given and made public by the Authority.
- (4) It is appropriate to replace the category heading 'folic acid' in order to take account of the inclusion of other forms of folate in Annex II to Directive 2002/46/EC.
- (5) Directive 2002/46/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

### Article 1

Annex II to Directive 2002/46/EC is amended as set out in the Annex to this Directive.

### Article 2

1 Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 30 April 2007 at the latest. They shall

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forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions and a correlation table between those provisions and this Directive.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

2 Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of the main provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

Article 3

This Directive shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 4

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 March 2006.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

#### ANNEX

Annex II to Directive 2002/46/EC is amended as follows:

- 1. In Section A. Vitamins:
  - (a) the heading '10. FOLIC ACID' is replaced by '10. FOLATE'
  - (b) the following line is added under the heading 10. FOLATE:
    - (b) calcium-L-methylfolate
- 2. In Section B. Minerals, the following line is inserted before cupric carbonate: 'ferrous bisglycinate'.

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(**1**) OJ L 183, 12.7.2002, p. 51.