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TITLE II

**RULES ON PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, PACKAGING,
TRANSPORT AND STORAGE OF ORGANIC PRODUCTS**

CHAPTER 2

Livestock production

Section 2

Livestock housing and husbandry practices

Article 17

Simultaneous production of organic and non-organic livestock

- 1 Non organic livestock may be present on the holding provided they are reared on units where the buildings and parcels are separated clearly from the units producing in accordance with the organic production rules and a different species is involved.
- 2 Non-organic livestock may use organic pasturage for a limited period of time each year, provided that such animals come from a farming system as defined in paragraph 3(b) and that organic animals are not present at the same time on that pasture.
- 3 Organic animals may be grazed on common land, providing that:
 - a the land has not been treated with products not authorised for organic production for at least three years;
 - b any non-organic animals which use the land concerned are derived from a farming system equivalent to those as described in Article 36 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 or in Article 22 of Regulation 1257/1999;
 - c any livestock products from organic animals, whilst using this land, shall not be regarded as being from organic-production, unless adequate segregation from non-organic animals can be proved.
- 4 During the period of transhumance animals may graze on non-organic land when they are being moved on foot from one grazing area to another. The uptake of non-organic feed, in the form of grass and other vegetation on which the animals graze, during this period shall not exceed 10 % of the total feed ration per year. This figure shall be calculated as a percentage of the dry matter of feedingstuffs from agricultural origin.
- 5 Operators shall keep documentary evidence of the use of provisions referred to in this Article.