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WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

TITLE **The Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products
(Amendment) Regulations 2022**

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Y Gweinidog Materion Gwledig a Gogledd Cymru, a'r Trefnydd
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Members of the Senedd will wish to be aware that I have given consent for the Secretary of State to exercise a subordinate legislation-making power in a devolved area in relation to Wales. The former Minister of State for Farming, Fisheries and Food, Victoria Prentis MP, requested my consent to make the Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

The above titled Statutory Instrument (SI) will be made by the Secretary of State in exercise of powers conferred by section 8 of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 7 to, the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, as well as sections 50(3) and 53(1) of the Agriculture Act 2020.

The SI makes operability amendments to address deficiencies and ensure clarity to the following retained direct EU legislation and EU derived domestic legislation relating to marketing standards for agricultural products in both England and Wales:

- Amendment of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007
- Amendment of Commission Regulation (EC) No 543/2008
- Amendment of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
- Amendment of the Hops Certification Regulations 1979

For efficiency and expediency, and to ensure consistency and coherence of the statute book, I consider it appropriate to consent to the above titled SI. I do so whilst reserving the ability to diverge in future as per our devolved competence.

The regulations were laid before Parliament on 8 November 2022 to come into force 21 days later.