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1. The following recital on GMOs is added:

Whereas, it is the aim to have the lowest possible presence of GMOs in organic products, the existing labelling thresholds represent ceilings which are exclusively linked to the adventitious and technically unavoidable presence of GMOs.

2. Article 34a (2) (a) is amended as follows:

Article 34a

Report to the Council

- a) the scope, **and in particular organic food prepared by mass caterers;**

3. Declaration by the Commission:

The labelling and advertising of unprocessed products may refer to the organic production method only where all the ingredients of such products have been produced in accordance with the Community organic production rules.

The substance of this declaration is inserted into Article 17 (1) in the following way:

Article 17

Use of terms referring to organic production

1. For the purposes of this Regulation a product shall be regarded as bearing terms referring to the organic production method where, in the labelling, advertising material or commercial documents, such a product, its ingredients or feed materials are described in terms suggesting to the purchaser that the product, its ingredients or feed materials have been obtained in accordance with the rules laid down in this Regulation. In particular, the terms listed in the Annex, their derivatives or diminutives, such as "bio" and "eco", alone or combined, may be used throughout the Community and in any Community language for the labelling and advertising of a product which satisfy the requirements set out under or pursuant to this Regulation.

The labelling and advertising of a product referred to in Article 1 (2)(a) may use terms referring to the organic production method only where all the ingredients of that product have been produced in accordance with the requirements laid down in this Regulation.