GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA DECREE # 171

Yerevan, March 11, 1998

On Establishment of Agrarian Regulations

In accordance with second clause of the law "On agrarian state inspections" of the Republic of Armenia, the government of the Republic of Armenia issued the following resolution:

To establish

- a) agricultural regulations (enclosed)
- b) cattle-breeding regulations (enclosed)
- c) regulations for exploitation of agricultural technology (enclosed)
- d) the list of permitted toxins and biological facilities which can be used in order to struggle against agricultural plant pests, weeds, and diseases; forestry, decorative and flower (enclosed)
- e) the list of plant pests, diseases, and weeds which have quarantine significance for the Republic of Armenia (enclosed)
- f) the list of plants and agricultural products, seeds, and landing materials, which are considered to be objects of quarantine with the object of quarantine safety securing (enclosed)

Prime minister of the Republic of Armenia

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Agricultural regulations

I. General Provisions

- 1. The following regulations are prescribing agronomic regulations for agronomic entities and individuals dealing with agriculture in the Republic of Armenia.
- 2. Agronomic entities and individuals who are engaged in agriculture, should be guided the constitution of the Republic of Armenia or the present regulations.

II. Working the land, usage of fertilizers and toxins and struggle against horticultural weeds

- 3. Agronomic entities and individuals dealing with agriculture are required to perform the following instructions:
- a) general basic, pre-sowing, after-sowing, and mid-sowing measures of cultivation of land
- b) package of measures for preventing land erosion
- c) package of measures for preventing second salting and swamping of land
- d) keeping of ground water at the permitted level as well as prevention of over-humidity of the land during irrigation
- e) package of measures for keeping the actual quality of land
- f) measures for preventing land pollution with harmful waste contamination of fertilizers toxins and biologic preparations
- g) package of measures for replenishing land with main nutrients (nitrogen, potassium, phosphorus)
- h) sanitary and phyto-sanitary measures of precaution during the process of fertilization
- 4. The following is prohibited
- a) the usage of toxins and biological facilities not in the list of permitted toxins and biological facilities which can be used in order to struggle against agricultural

- plant pests, weeds, and diseases; forestry, decorative and flower, as well as lack of the certificate of compliance
- b) storage of fertilizers, toxins, and biologic preparations in storehouses and premises which do not comply with the sanitary and phyto-sanitary norms
- c) storage of fertilizers, toxins, and biologic preparations together with food products, their joined transportation
- d) selling of agricultural products, which contain inadmissible portion of toxins and fertilizers

III. <u>Production, importing, selling, and</u> storage of seeds and landing materials

- 5. Agronomic entities and individuals, engaged in agriculture are required to perform the following instructions:
- a) assortment of land and planning area for production of seeds and landing materials
- b) exchange of cultivated crops
- c) available certificate of type of sort (quality, hybrid, reproduction) and quality of seeds and landing materials
- d) division into districts of different sorts
- e) pre-sowing treatment of seeds and landing materials i.e. cleaning, grading, insecticide
- f) conducting of measures of evaluating (approbation) of seed-field and seed-plots
- g) implementation of package of measures (labeling, package, certificate of quality and quarantine) of import, exchange, storage, selling, and usage of seeds and landing materials.
- 6. It is prohibited to use seeds and landing materials of unknown origin.

IV. <u>Struggle against widespread and quarantine diseases of</u> plants, pests, and weeds

- 7. Agronomic entities and individuals, engaged in agriculture are required to perform the following instructions:
- a) package of measures used for struggle against widespread and quarantine diseases of plants, pests, and weeds, most harmful in agriculture.
- b) not exceeding the allowed concentration of toxins in land and agricultural products
- c) examination by quarantine inspection of plants, agricultural products, landing materials, transport, and package as a subject of quarantine
- 8. Prohibited to
- a) utilize unaccepted toxins and biologic preparations in the territory if the Republic
- b) involve individuals below 18 without medical examination and pregnant women to work there where toxins are used
- c) use disinfected seeds as food product or fodder
- d) import of export of plants, agricultural products, seeds and planting materials without quarantine certificate at the quarantine territory of the Republic.