## DECREE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION NO. 1199 OF OCTOBER 6, 1998 ON ENHANCING STATE REGULATION IN THE SPHERE OF THE PRODUCTION OF AND TRADING IN ETHYL ALCOHOL AND ALCOHOL PRODUCTS

As to the measures for the realization of this Decree, see <u>Decision</u> of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 1159 of October 8, 1998.

By Decision of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 1248 of October 24, 1998 there was formed an Interdepartmental Commission for the Conduct of a Single State Policy for the Prevention and Restraint of the Illegal Manufacture and Turnover of Ethyl Alcohol and Alcoholic Products.

For the purposes of improving the health of the populace, safeguarding consumers' rights to high quality products and raising additional revenue for the benefit of the budgets of all levels, I hereby resolve:

1. To accept the proposal of the Government of the Russian Federation to enhance state regulation in the sphere of the production of and trading in ethyl alcohol from any kind of raw materials, vodka, liquor articles and wine beverages with alcohol content exceeding 28 per cent by volume (hereinafter referred to as "alcohol products") by means of:

introducing daily state monitoring of the output volume at the enterprises producing ethyl alcohol from any kind of raw materials;

<u>Decision</u> of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 1292 of November 3, 1998 approved the rules for the issuance of the quotas for the manufacture of ethyl alcohol from all types of raw materials and of the special permits for its delivery

ensuring state monitoring of the correspondence of the purchased volume of ethyl alcohol and the alcohol products produced from it;

introducing licensing and quotas for exports from the Russian Federation and imports into the Russian Federation of ethyl alcohol from any kind of raw materials;

enhancing control over the lawfulness of the production and over the quality of the alcohol products sold to the populace;

depriving the organisations that fail to provide conditions for state control over the production of ethyl alcohol from any kind of raw materials and alcohol products of the licenses for the production of and trading in alcohol products.

2. The Government of the Russian Federation shall:

provide for the implementation of Item 1 of the present Decree:

within one month prepare bills aimed at enhancing state regulation in the sphere of the production of and trading in ethyl alcohol from any kind of raw materials and alcohol products as well as stepping up administrative responsibility for production and accounting irregularities as related to ethyl alcohol from any kind of raw materials and alcohol products, such bills to be then submitted to the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.

3. The present Decree shall come into force from the date of the official publication thereof.

President of the Russian Federation

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