

Reduced rates of excise duty in Madeira and the Azores *

European Parliament legislative resolution of 20 October 2009 on the proposal for a Council decision authorising Portugal to apply reduced rates of excise duty in the autonomous region of Madeira on locally produced and consumed rum and liqueurs and in the autonomous region of the Azores on locally produced and consumed liqueurs and eaux-de-vie (COM(2009)0259 – C7-0104/2009 – 2009/0075(CNS))

(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council (COM(2009)0259),
 - having regard to Article 299(2), of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Council consulted Parliament (C7-0104/2009),
 - having regard to Rules 55 and 46(1) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Development (A7-0039/2009),
1. Approves the Commission proposal;
 2. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament if it intends to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
 3. Asks the Council to consult Parliament again if it intends to amend the Commission proposal substantially;
 4. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and the Commission.