

Decision to register "**Bocadillo Veleño**" as a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) under the UK Government's agri-food geographical indications scheme

#### Decision

1.The Secretary of State has decided to register "Bocadillo Veleño" as a PGI on the UK Government's agri-food geographical indications (GI) register.

# Legal basis of the decision

- 2. In accordance with Article 50(1) of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012, the Secretary of State examined an application submitted to the Secretary of State under Article 49 of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012 to protect "Bocadillo Veleño" as a PGI and is satisfied that the conditions laid down in assimilated Regulation 1151/2012 are met in respect of that application.
- 3. In accordance with Article 50(2) of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012, the Secretary of State published the single document and product specification submitted in support of the application to register "Bocadillo Veleño" as a PGI, starting the period ("the opposition period") during which the application could be opposed under Article 51 of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012.
- 4. No notice of opposition was lodged with the Secretary of State during the opposition period.
- 5. As no notice of objection was lodged with the Secretary of State under Article 51 of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012 during the opposition period, the Secretary of State has decided, in accordance with Article 52(2) of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012, to register the name "Bocadillo Veleño" as a PGI.

### What will happen next

- 6. A 20-day notice period applies in respect of this notice, which begins on the day on which this notice is published.
- 7. Under Article 14(1) of assimilated Regulation 668/2014, the Secretary of State must record an entry on the register relating to the registration of "Bocadillo Veleño" as a PGI, and attach a copy of the product specification relating to the use of the name "Bocadillo Veleño" to the register, as soon as possible after the 20-day notice period has expired.
- 8. Under Article 14(1b) of assimilated Regulation 668/2014, the protection of the name "Bocadillo Veleño" as a PGI in Great Britain shall be effective immediately after the entry relating to that name has been recorded on the register and a copy of the product specification for the PGI has been attached to the register.

# Appeal against the decision

- 9. An appeal may be made to the First-tier Tribunal against this decision under Article 54a of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012, as read with Annex 1B to that Regulation, and the 2009 Rules. The appropriate notice to complete is form GRC1, which can be found on the www.gov.uk website.
- 10. Rule 22(2) of the 2009 Rules specifies what the notice of appeal must include. This includes the name and address of the respondent (rule 22(2)(d) of the 2009 Rules).
- 11. The name of the respondent is the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. This should be included in section 4.1 of the form (regulator's details).
- 12. The address given in section 4.2 of the form should be that of the Government Legal Service, whose postal address is:

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13. In section 4.3 of the form, under contact details, you should provide the following service email address of the Government Legal Department:

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14. In accordance with rule 22(3) of the 2009 Rules, an appeal against the decision to which this notice relates must include a copy of this notice.

- 15. An appeal must be made by sending or delivering a notice of appeal to the Tribunal so that it is received by the Tribunal before 5 p.m. on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025.
- 16. A successful appeal may mean that "Bocadillo Veleño" is removed from the register, ending its protection as a PGI.

## Interpretation

#### 17. In this Decision:

- (a) "the 2009 Rules" means the Tribunal Procedure (First-tier Tribunal) (General Regulatory Chamber) Rules 2009 (S.I. 2009/1976), as amended;
- (b) "assimilated Regulation 1151/2012" means Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, as amended;
- (c) "assimilated Regulation 668/2014" means Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014 of 13 June 2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, as amended;
- (d) "the register" means the register referred to in paragraph 1 established and maintained under Article 11 of assimilated Regulation 1151/2012.