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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on novel foods, amending Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EC) No 258/97 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1852/2001¹, and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 provides that only novel foods authorised and included in the Union list of novel foods may be placed on the market within the Union.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470² has established a Union list of novel foods.
- (3) The Union list set out in the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 includes *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels as an authorised novel food.
- (4) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/965³ authorised the placing on the market of *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels as a novel food.
- (5) On 9 May 2023, the company Chuta Nut GmbH ('the applicant') submitted an application to the Commission in accordance with Article 10(1) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 to change the conditions of use and the specifications of the novel food *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels. The applicant requested to include two additional forms of the novel food *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels, kernels as flour and kernels as paste, both consisting of 100% ground kernels) and to increase the maximum use levels of the novel food from 5 g/100 g to 30 g/100 g in the previously authorised food categories. Additionally, the applicant requested the

¹ OJ L 327, 11.12.2015, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2015/2283/oj>.

² Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 of 20 December 2017 establishing the Union list of novel foods in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council on novel foods (OJ L 351, 30.12.2017, p. 72, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2017/2470/oj).

³ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/965 of 21 June 2022 authorising the placing on the market of kernels from the edible variety of *Jatropha curcas* L. as a novel food and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 (OJ L 166, 22.6.2022, pp. 118, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2022/965/oj)

change in the specifications that aims at increasing the fat content range (from 54%–61% to 54%–64%) in the final novel food.

- (6) On 19 January 2024, the Commission requested the European Food Safety Authority ('the Authority') to provide a scientific opinion on the change of the conditions of use and the specifications of the novel food *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels.
- (7) On 29 September 2025, the Authority adopted its scientific opinion on the 'Safety of changes in the conditions of use and the specifications of edible *Jatropha curcas* L. (Chuta) as a novel food pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2283'⁴ in accordance with Article 11 of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283.
- (8) In its scientific opinion, the Authority concluded that the novel food, *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels, flour and paste, is safe under the new proposed conditions of use and the specifications.
- (9) The information provided in the application and the Authority's scientific opinion give sufficient grounds to establish that the changes to the conditions of use and the specifications of *Jatropha curcas* L. (edible variety) kernels are in accordance with Article 12(1) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 and should be approved.
- (10) The Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (11) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

Only the company Chuta Nut GmbH⁵ is authorised to place on the market within the Union the novel food referred to in Article 1, for a period of 5 years from [*the date of entry into force of this Regulation*] [*OP please insert the date*], unless a subsequent applicant obtains an authorisation for the novel food without reference to the scientific data protected pursuant to Article 3 or with the agreement of the company Chuta Nut GmbH.

Article 3

The scientific data contained in the application file and fulfilling the conditions laid down in Article 26(2) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 shall not be used for the benefit of a subsequent applicant for a period of 5 years from the date of entry into force of this Regulation without the agreement of the company Chuta Nut GmbH.

⁴ EFSA Journal. 2025;23:e9706.

⁵ Address: Hans-Lorensen-Str. 20 89079 Ulm, Germany

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in *the Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN