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Answer given by Mr Gentiloni  
on behalf of the European Commission  
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As rightly pointed out by the Honourable Member, cocktails based on whey proteins are currently classified as beverages under Chapter 22 of the Combined Nomenclature (CN)<sup>1</sup>. There is, for the time being, no intention or request to separately identify such products in the Combined Nomenclature.

Amendments to the list of goods contained in the Combined Nomenclature are regulated by the Code of conduct for the management of the Combined Nomenclature<sup>2</sup> (the Code of conduct). This Code of conduct indicates the procedure for submitting requests for amendments.

Against this background, interested producer organisations are invited to submit a request for an amendment to the list of goods contained in the Combined Nomenclature, should they wish to do so, following the procedures laid down in the Code of conduct, either to the Polish Customs administration or, through a European association, directly to the Commission.

Likewise, if the producer organisations are of the opinion that action should be taken to clarify the classification of the products at stake, they are invited to substantiate their request and submit it to the Commission through their European association.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

<sup>2</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52000XC0530%2801%29>