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### **CELCAA statement ahead of the provisional application of the EU-Mercosur agreement**

Tomorrow, 1 May 2026, marks the provisional application of the EU-Mercosur agreement. EU and Mercosur origin products will benefit from enhanced access to each others' respective markets.

While several sectors have eagerly awaited this improved access to the Mercosur market of 285 million consumers, there remains great concern about the administration of the TRQs by the Mercosur partners. The TRQ management system should ensure that all interested operators can reap the benefits of the deal, and export controls that limit access to a select pool of companies should be avoided.

The agreement will only be fully completed once the consent of the European Parliament has been granted. The European Parliament has referred the agreement to the Court of Justice of the European Union, querying its compatibility with the EU treaties. A swift outcome to this process, which creates clarity, is in everyone's interests.

For now, this 1 May marks the practical beginning of a new relationship between the EU, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay respectively.

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