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Decree No. 7/2001 (III.29.) GM

on the indication of the prices of products and services offered to consumers

Pursuant to the authorisation set out in Article 40 of Act I of 1978 on domestic trade, in order to assert the interests related to the provision of appropriate information to customers as defined in Act CLV of 1997 on consumer protection (hereinafter referred to as Act on Consumer Protection), I hereby ordain the following:

#### Article 1

1. The scope of this Decree shall cover the indication of the selling price and the unit price for products (Article 2 (a) of the Act on Consumer Protection) offered to consumers (Article 2 (e) of the Act on Consumer Protection) and for products marketed for consumers (Article 2 (i) of the Act on Consumer Protection), as well as the fees for services (Article 2

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(c) of the Act on Consumer Protection).

2. The scope of this Decree shall not cover:

- (a) the sale of food produced in the framework of catering and public catering specified under the provisions of separate law<sup>1</sup> by way of on-the-spot consumption, purchase and house delivery;
- (b) the sale of antiques and works of art;
- (c) products to be sold at auctions if the put-up (starting) prices of products are specified by the auction notice;
- (d) the transfer of free samples or products.

### Article 2

For the purposes of this Decree:

- (a) *selling price* shall mean the price payable for the products offered to consumers, including the amount of the value added tax, other taxes and other liabilities charged to the products;
- (b) *service fee* shall mean the fee payable for services offered to consumers, including the amount of the value added tax, other taxes and liabilities charged to the service;
- (c) *unit price* shall mean the selling price payable for one kilogram, one litre, one millilitre, one metre, one square metre, one cubic metre, or one piece of any product;
- (d) *bulk products* shall mean products that are not weighed or packaged in advance and the weighing or packaging of which takes place in the consumer's presence.

### Article 3

1. With the exceptions specified in paragraph 2, the selling price for all products shall be indicated on the products in accordance with the provisions under Article 14 of the Act on

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<sup>1</sup> See: Decree No. 43/1998. (VI.24.) IKIM

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Consumer Protection or, if that makes no sense, on the price list affixed next to the products.

2. Only the unit price shall be indicated for bulk products, together with the unit of measurement indicated in Article 6 (2).

3. It shall be sufficient to indicate the selling price within the meaning of paragraph 1 on a price list affixed next to the product, particularly in the case of products in packaging units of less than 50g, 50ml or 5cm, products sold from vending machines, and products sold without packaging, as well as in the case of special offers according to Article 5 (1).

### Article 4

1. With the exceptions specified in paragraphs 2 and 3, the unit price for all products shall be indicated on the products, or, if that makes no sense, on a price list affixed next to the products, provided that the unit price is not identical to the selling price for the products according to Article 14 of the Act on Consumer Protection and the provisions set out in Article 6.

2. No unit prices need to be indicated on products:

(a) in packaging units or sizes smaller than 50g, 50ml or 5 cm;

(b) sold from vending machines;

(c) sold in multipacks, in the same package;

(d) in special decorative packaging;

(e) put together into one package for preparing a meal in the case of foods specified in Act XC of 1995 on foodstuffs.

3. It shall be sufficient to indicate the unit price for the unit weight if the regulations applicable to the marketing of pre-packaged products specified under the provisions of separate law<sup>2</sup> require the indication of the unit weight (defined after draining) in addition to the net weight.

### Article 5

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<sup>2</sup> See Decree No. 16/1997. (IV.4.) IKIM

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1. All advertising specified in Act LVIII of 1997 on business advertising activities (hereinafter referred to as the Act on Business Advertising Activities), indicating the selling prices of the products, shall also indicate the unit price in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 and Article 6 (2).

2. In advertisements for special offers as defined by Article 2 (m) of the Act on Business Advertising Activities, it shall be sufficient to indicate the unit price related to the selling price payable by the consumer on the basis of the offer.

### Article 6

1. In the case of products sold without packaging, the unit price shall be indicated on the storage containers or on the shelves, clearly identifying the names and quantity units of the products.

2. The unit price shall be indicated:

- (a) by the litre (HUF/l), or, if it facilitates comparison, by millilitre (HUF/ml) or by cubic metre (HUF/m<sup>3</sup>);
- (b) by the kilogram (HUF/kg) or by the tonne (HUF/t) for products sold by weight;
- (c) by the metre (HUF/m) for products sold by length;
- (d) by the square metre (HUF/m<sup>2</sup>) for products sold by surface area;
- (e) by the piece (HUF/piece) for products sold only by the piece.

### Article 7

1. With the exceptions specified in paragraph 2, the fees for services according to the provisions of Article 14 of the Act on Consumer Protection shall be indicated clearly in a visible manner at the place where such services are provided or offered.

2. If it is not possible to indicate the fee of a service given the nature of the service, consumers shall be informed of the service fee prior to commencing the provision of the service.

### Article 8

1. This Decree shall come into force on 1 September 2001.

2. At the time when this Decree comes into force, the following shall be repealed:

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- (a) Decree No. 43/1997 (VIII.14.) IKIM on the indication of prices of industrial products and products not considered as foodstuffs offered to consumers;
- (b) Article 2 (b), Articles 7–10, Article 11 (4) (c), and Article 12 (3) of Decree No. 1/1997 (I.17.) IKIM on the order of food distribution.

#### Article 9

This Decree contains provisions that are compatible with the following legislation of the European Community in accordance with Article 3 of Act I of 1994 proclaiming the Europe Agreement signed between the Republic of Hungary on the one hand and the European Communities and their Member States on the other on the establishment of an association signed in Brussels on 16 December 1991: Directive 98/6/EC of the European Parliament and the Council of 16 February 1998 on consumer protection in the indication of the prices of products offered to consumers.