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According to Regulation 1308/2013<sup>1</sup>, the term 'Milk' means exclusively the normal mammary secretion obtained from one or more milkings without either addition thereto or extraction therefore. Therefore it can not be used to designate products made with almonds or hazelnuts.

While nuts are included in part IX of Annex I to Regulation 1308/2013 (Fruit and vegetables), beverages prepared from nuts are not in part X of that Annex (Processed fruit and vegetable products) and are therefore not eligible for distribution under the EU School fruit, vegetables and milk scheme, as provided for in Article 23 (paragraphs 1 to 4) of Regulation 1308/2013.

As set out in the Farm to Fork Strategy, the Commission is currently working on a review of the school schemes with a view to presenting the proposals before the end of 2023.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Annex VII, Part III of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007.