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**Summary of draft EU legislative proposals submitted by the
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for review by the Oireachtas**

July to December 2010

Introduction

This report is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Section 2(5) of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002. The report provides an overview, in tabular form, of the draft legislative measures falling under the responsibility of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and which the Oireachtas reviewed during the period 1 July to 31 December 2010 on the basis of Information Notes submitted by the Department. It also provides an update on outstanding proposals reviewed by the Committee prior to 1 July 2010.

In addition the report outlines progress on EU agriculture and fisheries issues under the Belgian Presidency of the European Union during the period 1 July to 31 December 2010. The report also provides a preview of the Hungarian Presidency for the period 1 January to 30 June 2011.

Review of the Belgian Presidency

Overview

Belgium took over the rotating six-month Presidency of the EU with effect from 1 July 2010. It is the middle Member State of the trio of Presidencies, taking over from Spain, and to be followed by Hungary. It continued the work set out in the agreed Trioka programme of work continuing under the theme of “**Agriculture and food, a strategic sector for Europe**”. The Presidency proposed to put the Treaty of Lisbon fully into practice, particularly with regard to the extension of co-decision to agriculture and fisheries legislation and commenced discussions on the alignment of CAP legislation to the new Treaty provisions. The Belgian Presidency organised 5 meetings of the Council and an informal meeting in September.

Discussions on the future of the CAP continued to dominate agriculture discussions at Council. The informal Council in September looked forward at the role of Pillar 1 payments and the flexibility needed to address regional differences and manage unpredictable crises. Commissioner Ciolos visited Ireland in October at the invitation of Minister Smith. He addressed the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and also participated in a stakeholder conference organised by the Department. The Commission’s Communication titled “The CAP towards 2020” was presented to Council in November with Ministers debating the Communication at December Council.

The Presidency continued discussions started under the Spanish Presidency on the competitiveness of the agri-food sector and hosted a conference in October. The Commission also established a High Level Group on the Agri-food industry which held its first meeting in November, Minister Smith is a member of this Group. Discussions in Council focussed in particular on the recommendations in the report from the Commission’s High Level Group on Milk with debates held in July and September. The Commission brought forward proposals giving effect to the some of the recommendations which were presented to Ministers at December Council.

On a related matter the Commission’s proposals on agricultural product quality were presented to Council in December. The proposals focus on product quality schemes,

marketing standards and voluntary certification schemes and on the labelling of products using PDO-PGI¹ ingredients.

On the fisheries front the Presidency reached agreement in December on the annual Total Allowable Catches (TACs) and quotas for the EU Member States (adopted 18 January 2011). The Commission held a major conference on fisheries reform in November as part of its ongoing consultations on the reform of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). Agreement with Norway was reached in December putting in place a new bi-lateral agreement for the management of shared fish stocks in the North Sea. The agreement with the Solomon Islands, providing for Tuna fishing opportunities was concluded in December. The Presidency took forward a number of existing Commission proposals aimed at promoting sustainable and responsible fishing.

Simplification of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)

Work continued on the CAP simplification agenda under the Belgian Presidency. The Commission continued its examination of a series of 39 suggestions for simplification made by Member States, including Ireland. Expert Groups were held to discuss the proposals on 23 March 2010, 16 June 2010 and 9 November 2010. At the Expert Meeting on 9 November 2010 the Commission presented the Action Plan with seven points left to be completed.

The Commission also undertook visits to six Member States, including Ireland, under the “Harvest Experience” with the purpose of deepening its understanding of the challenges faced by farmers and other stakeholders and improving its awareness of practical difficulties when drawing up new policies and legislation. During their visit they met with farmers, other operators and public authorities.

The Future of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)

The Commission held a conference in Brussels on 19/20 July 2010 on the outcome of its public consultation on the CAP after 2013. Council discussed the matter at the informal Council meeting in September. The discussions centred on two questions aimed at 1) clarifying the future role of pillar 1 payments and 2) determining the flexibility needed in the future to address regional differences and to manage unpredictable crises.

Discussions on the future of the CAP were also mirrored in Ireland. Minister Smith established a consultative committee and has been actively engaging with stakeholders. At the invitation of Minister Smith, Commissioner Ciolos visited Ireland in October, and addressed a stakeholder conference. He also addressed the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

In November the Commission adopted its Communication “*The CAP towards 2020: Meeting the food, natural resources and territorial challenges of the future*” [COM(2010)672]. It launched a public stakeholder consultation on 23 November. The closing date for receipt of submissions was 25 January 2011. The Communication was presented to Ministers at November Council. There was general support for the 3 main objectives (food production, sustainability and territorial balance) and the continuation

¹ Protected Designation of Origin
Protected Geographical Indication

of a 2 Pillar structure. Pillar 1 consists of direct payments and market support measures and Pillar 2 the rural development element. Ministers discussed the issue again at December Council guided by Presidency questions around the role of CAP in ensuring viable food production and the extent to which it depends on (1) contributing to stable farm income, (2) competitiveness, and (3) compensating for natural constraints. Discussions will continue into the Hungarian Presidency which is expected to seek agreement on Council conclusions in March 2011. The legislative proposals are due to be published by the Commission in mid 2011.

High Level Group on Dairy

The Presidency organised a debate on the report and recommendations of the Milk High Level Group at Council in July, these discussions continued at the September Council, where the Presidency conclusions on the recommendations of the High Level Group on the Dairy Sector were supported by 22 Member States including Ireland. The Commission was asked to submit a legislative ‘dairy package’ before the end of the year on contractual relations, transparency along the food supply chain, and Producer and Inter-Professional Organisations. The Commission presented this proposal [COM(2010)728] on contractual relations in the milk and milk products sector to Council in December. The proposal is intended to achieve a better balance in the market relationship between milk producers and processors. It proposes to permit Member States, on a voluntary basis, to require contracts to be drawn up between milk producers and processors and to provide greater legal certainty, subject to certain limitations, for farmers wishing to negotiate contract terms collectively via producer organisations. It also provides, subject to a number of provisions to protect the Single Market, a legal framework for registered interbranch organisations in the dairy sector, similar to that already existing in the fruit and vegetable sector. Unlike producer organisations, which include farmers only, such organisations may include operators at several levels of the supply chain. Discussions will continue on this proposal under the Hungarian Presidency.

The Council also reviewed the quarterly reports on the situation in the milk market at September and December meetings. The reports noted the EU market is much improved compared to last year.

Competitiveness of the Agri-Food Sector

The Belgian Presidency, hosted a conference ‘For a competitive food supply chain in Europe’ on 14 October. The conference addressed the challenges facing the food industry, how these challenges can be tackled in the future, as well as underlining the importance of innovation for the sector and the impact of EU policies on the food supply chain. The conference welcomed the establishment of the *High Level Forum for a Better Functioning Food Supply Chain* by the Commission which is assisted by a “Sherpa” group. Minister Smith is a member of the forum, which will examine the challenges facing the agrifood sector such as the volatility of prices and hikes in production costs. The forum commenced work at its first meeting in November. This new forum builds on the multi-stakeholder *High Level Group on the Agri-food industry*, which, in 2009, presented 30 Recommendations to improve the competitiveness of the sector, as well as the Commission’s Communication on a ‘Better functioning food supply chain in Europe’.

Agricultural Product Quality [COM(2010) 733 and COM(2010)738]

The Commission presented its proposals for a review of Europe's agricultural product quality policy to Ministers at December Council where there was a first exchange of views. The "Quality Package" is comprised of two new Regulations and two sets of guidelines. The proposal on agricultural product quality clarifies and simplifies the PDO/PGI regime, reduces timescales for registration and objection and adds a new article on the role of producer organisations. It also overhauls the TSG² scheme to limit it to products with a long tradition over 50 years, and sets out a framework for optional quality terms and to define terms such as "free range" and "cold-pressed". The second proposal amends the marketing standards for agricultural products and it will introduce a general baseline for all products to be of "sound, fair and merchantable quality". Provision is also made for other requirements including a new legal basis for the introduction of compulsory labelling of "place of farming" at an appropriate geographic level. The two sets of Guidelines focus on the development and operation of certification schemes of agricultural products and foodstuffs and the labelling of foodstuffs using PDO and PGI as ingredients. Discussions on these proposals will continue under the Hungarian Presidency.

EU Mercosur negotiations

Negotiations for an agreement with the Mercosur group of South American countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay) were originally launched in 1999 but were suspended in 2004 arising from major differences between the two sides in expectations across a range of headings including industrial goods, agriculture, services and intellectual property.

At the initiative of both the Spanish Presidency and the Argentinean Presidency of Mercosur, the EU Commission College took a decision in early May to re-launch negotiations with Mercosur. Three negotiating rounds took place in the second half of 2010 focusing on process and texts. The Commission has circulated initial draft texts to Member States but has not yet submitted offers to Mercosur. Ireland has become one of four member States in the Potsdam Group and attended in Brasilia for the 3rd round of Sanitary and Phytosanitary negotiations.

Plant Health

Genetically Modified Organisms

In July the Commission proposed a new GMO package comprising

- (i) A communication - on the freedom for Member States to decide on the cultivation of genetically modified crops,
- (ii) A legislative proposal amending Directive 2001/18/EC as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the cultivation of GMOs in their territory; and
- (iii) A new recommendation on the co-existence of genetically modified crops with conventional and organic farming.

Ministers held an exchange of views on the Communication on cultivation of GMOs at Council in September. In Ireland the approval of the cultivation of genetically modified crops comes under the remit of the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local

² Traditional specialities guaranteed

Government and is dealt with in Brussels by the Environment Commissioner. Discussions will continue under the Hungarian Presidency.

Animal health

TSE Road Map 2010-2015

In July the Commission adopted a Communication on the TSE Road map 2 - A Strategy paper on Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies for 2010-2015. This roadmap will review the measures in place for TSE and consider what actions should be taken over the next 5 years. The Communication was considered at expert level including by the Chief Veterinary Officers and Council Conclusions were adopted in November. The Roadmap will be discussed further under the Hungarian Presidency.

Forestry

Green Paper on Forest Protection and Information [COM(2010)066]

Another priority of the Belgian Presidency was the Green Paper on Forest Protection and information. A public consultation was completed at the end of July 2010, and the responses to the five questions posed (climate change, sustainable forest management (SFM), EU and national forest policies and EU-wide actions going forward) will help to inform and guide the Commission's consideration regarding any additional action at Community level to better prepare EU forests for climate change, and enhance the fulfilment of their functions.

A report prepared by Commission services on the stakeholder consultation was circulated on 20 December 2010 at the Council Working Party on Forestry. The main conclusion is that there is a widely perceived need to work on an EU level forest information system that is based on existing Member States data collection and processing systems. It was felt that the replies from stakeholders (comprehensive as they were) were not sufficient to allow the formation of an opinion on this important subject. Therefore, the Commission has proposed the establishment during 2011 of an *ad-hoc* Group (mainly comprising experts dealing with National Forest Inventories) to focus on forest information.

Placing of illegally harvested timber on the market [COM (2008) 644]

This proposal sets out the obligations on operators who place timber and timber products on the market. It prohibits the placing on the internal market of illegally harvested timber or timber products derived from such timber. In addition, operators who place timber or timber products on the internal market for the first time must exercise due diligence through a system comprising three elements inherent to risk management: access to information, risk assessment and mitigation of the risk identified. The Regulation was agreed under the Belgian Presidency and was finalised at second reading and signed by the European Parliament and the Council on 20 October 2010. The Regulation will apply from 3 March 2013 with some aspects applying from 2 December 2010.

Voluntary Partnership Agreements (VPAs) [COMs (2010) 118 and 406]

Voluntary Partnership Agreements (VPAs) provide a legal framework aimed at ensuring that all imports into the EU of timber products covered by the VPA have been legally produced. Under the VPA's imports of timber products into the EU will have to be accompanied by a Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT)

licence. This licensing scheme verifies through supply chain controls, legal compliance framework and independent audit, that the timber products are legally produced. Discussions are ongoing with Cameroon [COM(2010)406] and the Congo [COM(2010)118].

Fishing Opportunities for 2011 [COM(2010)658]

Every year EU fisheries Ministers decide on the total allowable catch (TAC) for the most important fisheries stocks and quotas for the EU fishing fleet. The implementation and enforcement of the TAC and Quota Regulation has become increasingly important in order to deliver sustainable fisheries in Community waters.

The proposal is largely based on scientific advice from International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES) and Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF) and supports the principle of working towards exploiting fish stocks at levels that can achieve maximum sustainable yield from 2015 onwards. It also reiterates the Commission's preferred approach of using multi-annual management plans to manage fish stocks.

A unanimous political agreement on the Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing for 2011 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in EU waters and, for EU vessels, in certain non-EU waters was reached at the Agriculture and Fisheries Council on 13-14 December 2010. The agreement saw Ireland benefiting by way of increased quota in mackerel, haddock, herring and whiting as well as securing the largest share in an important new fishery for boarfish. The Council Regulation (EU) No 57/2011 (2011 TAC and quota Regulation) was adopted on 18 January 2011

Conservation of Atlantic Tuna [COM(2009)406]

In November 2008 the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) adopted a catch documentation programme for bluefin tuna. The Commission then brought forward a proposal which aims to improve the quality and reliability of statistical data and to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing of bluefin tuna in the ICCAT area. The catch documentation programme intends to introduce effective control of the movement of bluefin tuna with strict tracking of the product from the point of capture through the whole operational chain to the final point of marketing. This Regulation requires a valid catch document to be completed for each bluefin tuna landed at Irish ports. At present bluefin tuna may only be landed by Irish vessels as a bycatch of other catches. There is also a prohibition on the trading (transfer, delivery, harvest, domestic trade, import, export or re-export) of bluefin tuna without a completed and validated catch document or re-export certificate. The Regulation was adopted at the Agriculture and Fisheries Council on 29 June and signed by the European Parliament and Council on 7 July 2010.

The Council also adopted *Regulation No 712/2010 of 26 July 2010 amending Regulation (EU) No 53/2010 as regards certain fishing opportunities and amending Regulation (EC) No 754/2009* [COM(2010)306] which amends the 2010 Total Allowable Catches (TACs) and Quotas Regulation (Regulation (EU) No 53/2010) following the opening by the North Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO) of the cod fishery in NAFO 3M and redfish fishery in NAFO 3LN, following a 10 year

moratorium. It amends the Regulation to take into account reduced quota for bluefin tuna on foot of decisions taken at the ICCAT in February 2010.

Bilateral Agreement with EU and Third countries

The agreement with Norway was reached in December 2010. The Total Allowable Catches (TACs) were set in line with the various joint management plans, with 12% extra made available for Member States engaged in a Fully Documented Fishery/Catch Quota Scheme for Cod and 16% more Cod in Svalbard. Discussions with the Faroe Islands are adjourned due to disagreement on the management arrangements for mackerel.

The agreement between EU and the Solomon Islands which aims to strengthen cooperation between the parties resulting in a sustainable fisheries policy and responsible exploitation of stocks in Solomon Islands' waters was concluded. It provides for tuna fishing opportunities for 4 Community vessels with a possibility of extending opportunities in the future.

The Presidency will progress the work on renewing a number of protocols for Fisheries Partnership Agreements with Third Countries such as the Union of the Comors, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe, Morocco.

Preview of the Hungarian Presidency

Hungary has taken over the six monthly rotating Presidency of the EU with effect from 1 January 2011. It is the last of the trio of Presidencies which includes Spain and Belgium and covers the 18 month period from 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2011. It will progress the work set out in the agreed programme of work continuing under the theme of “Agriculture and food, a strategic sector for Europe”.

Presidency priorities

The main agriculture priorities for the Presidency are the Future of the CAP and the Dairy sector. The Presidency will also progress the discussions on the Commission’s legislative proposals on contractual relations in the milk sector. It will also commence discussions on the recently published Agricultural Product Quality legislative package which is aimed at better communicating to consumers the qualities of EU and local agricultural products.

The Presidency will also progress initiatives expected from the Commission during its Presidency including a Communication on Honeybee Health. Work on alignment of the CAP legislation to the Treaty of Lisbon will continue with the Presidency focussing its efforts on aligning four major legislative acts namely the Regulations on the Single CMO, financing of the CAP, Rural Development and Single Payment (Direct Payments). The Presidency will continue to monitor developments in WTO/DDA and other bilateral negotiations which may impact on the agriculture sector.

The fisheries priorities include Reform of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), extension of temporary legislation on transitional measures as regards horizontal fishing rules, continuing work on the multi-annual plan for Atlantic horse mackerel, and Anchovy stock in Bay of Biscay. Fisheries Councils are scheduled for April and June.

On animal health discussions will focus on the the evaluation of the Community Animal Welfare Strategy 2006-2010, and the review of the bluetongue Directive to allow for vaccination.

CAP Simplification

In its communication on the future of the CAP towards 2020, the EU undertook to make simplification a central plank of the new CAP. The Hungarian Presidency has committed to following through on this commitment in its work programme for the first six months of 2011.

The Future of the Common Agriculture Policy (CAP)

The priority of the Hungarian Presidency will be to continue discussions on the CAP towards 2020 with the aim of drawing up conclusions following the Agriculture Council debates in January and February. These will be discussed at SCA from 28 February with a view to adoption at the Agriculture Council on 17 March.

Dairy

The Presidency will also progress the discussions on the Commission’s legislative proposals on contractual relations in the milk sector at the March and June Councils. The proposal is intended to achieve a better balance in the market relationship between milk producers and processors. It proposes to permit Member States, on a voluntary basis, to require contracts to be drawn up between milk producers and processors.

Agricultural Product Quality

The Presidency will also commence discussions on the recently published Agricultural Product Quality legislative package which is aimed at better communicating to consumers the qualities of EU and local agricultural products, with a view to reaching political agreement at the June Council.

EU MERCOSUR Negotiations

Further negotiating rounds between EU and MERCOSUR will take place in March and May 2011 under the Hungarian Presidency with offers expected to be exchanged in March 2011.

WTO

Efforts will be made at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland in January 2011 to renew impetus in the WTO Doha Development Agenda.

Plant Health, Veterinary and Food Safety Issues

Work will begin on the practical implementation of Council conclusions on the TSE roadmap. The Presidency will encourage the completion of the evaluation work conducted on the Animal Welfare Action Plan which will feed into the new EU Animal Health Strategy with a view to agreeing Council Conclusions at the June meeting.

It aims to progress the revision of present blue tongue disease legislation. It plans discussions on the Commission Communication on Honeybee Health with a view to delivering Council Conclusions at the May Council.

The Presidency will seek second reading agreement with the European Parliament on the proposal on provision of information to consumers. This proposal deals with food labelling including the issue of mandatory Country of Origin labelling. The Presidency will aim to reach final agreement on the proposal on Novel Foods.

Forestry

The drawing up of a strengthened policy framework for sustainable forest management throughout Europe will be on the agenda of the Ministerial on the Protection of Forests in Europe in Oslo and will be discussed at the 9th session of the UN Forum on Forests (UNFF9) which takes place in New York from 24 January to 4 February.

Fisheries

The Hungarian Presidency will pay special attention to the reform of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). The simplification process which began in 2005, the Commission's Green Paper, the public consultations held in 2009 and the new proposals to be published by the Commission before the end of the Hungarian Presidency intend to promote sustainable fisheries and aquaculture, so contributing to the protection of the environment.

The Presidency will welcome the proposals and launch the policy debate in the Council. Concerning horizontal fishing rules, the Hungarian Presidency will aim to adopt the prolongation of the temporary legislation on technical measures. The Hungarian Presidency will encourage fisheries partnership agreements with third countries.

With regard to the new legislative proposals and amendments the Presidency will promote the discussion on multiannual plans, on specific access requirements and associated conditions for fishing for deep-sea stocks and on fishing efforts.

Draft legislative measures reviewed by the Oireachtas Sub-Committee on European Scrutiny

Table A summarises progress on the legislative proposals reviewed by the Oireachtas in the period July to December 2010.

- **Forty-three** Information Notes were submitted by the Department and reviewed by the Oireachtas in the first six months of the year.
- **Seventeen** proposals have been adopted, including, **one** recasting existing legislation.
- **Twenty-Six** proposals have not been adopted with discussions to continue under the Belgian Presidency.

Table B summarises progress made during the Spanish Presidency on the **twenty-three** outstanding proposals for which Information Notes were submitted to the Oireachtas prior to January 2010 by the Department.

- **Seven** of these proposals have since been adopted.
- **Two** proposals were superseded by new proposals
- A number of other proposals are now subject to co-decision with the European Parliament since the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon.

Useful Websites

EU Legislation printed in the Official Journal:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/JOIndex.do?ihmlang=en>

Website search for EU legislation:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm>

EU Agriculture Information:

http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/index_en.htm

EU Fisheries Information:

http://ec.europa.eu/fisheries/index_en.htm

EU Food Quality Information:

<http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/quality/>

EU Food supply chain:

http://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/articles/structural_reforms/article16028_en.htm

EU Animal Health and Welfare Information:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/index_en.htm

EU Animal Health Strategy

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/diseases/strategy/whatis_cahp_en.htm

CAP Towards 2020 website:

<http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/cap-post-2013/>

Department's website

<http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/>

TABLE A

Commission Proposal Number	Proposal/Measure	Date Reviewed/ Decision of the Sub-Committee	Update
COM (2010)145	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 861/2006 of 22 May 2006 establishing Community financial measures for the implementation of the common fisheries policy and in the area of the Law of the Sea	No further scrutiny 12/10/10	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency
COM(2010)176	Proposal for a Council Decision laying down rules for imports into the European Union from Greenland of fishery products, live bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates, marine gastropods and by-products thereof	No further scrutiny 13/07/10 Based on the available information, it was agreed that this measure does not warrant further scrutiny by this Committee. It was also agreed that this measure will be sent to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for information.	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

TABLE A

COM (2010) 294	Proposal for a Council Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11xGA21 (SYN-BTØ11-1xMON-ØØØ21-9) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council	<p>No further scrutiny 13/07/10</p> <p>Given that the Council has already decided on these proposals and that the JCES has already considered the issue of the authorisation of GMOs in general terms, it was agreed that these proposal do not warrant scrutiny by this Committee. However, given that Ireland imports significant quantities of maize for animal feed and that it is likely that these GM products will be included in these imports if the Commission decides to adopt this measure, it was also agreed to forward these proposals to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for information. Given that the Department of Health and Children has primary responsibility for GMO in respect of food, it was also agreed to forward these proposals to the Joint Committee on Health and Children for information.</p>	<p>Adopted by act of Commission as Commission Decision of 28 July 2010 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11xGA21 (SYN-BTØ11-1xMON-ØØØ21-9) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (2010/426/EU)</p> <p>(OJ L199, 31.07.2010 p36)</p> <p>http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:199:0036:0039:EN:PDF</p>
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COM (2010) 298	Proposal for a Council Decision renewing the authorisation for continued marketing of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 (SYN-BTØ11-1), authorising foods and food ingredients containing or consisting of field maize Bt11 (SYN-BTØ11-1) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 and repealing Commission Decision 2004/657/EC	No further scrutiny 13/07/10 Given that the Council has already decided on these proposals and that the JCES has already considered the issue of the authorisation of GMOs in general terms, it was agreed that these proposal do not warrant scrutiny by this Committee. However, given that Ireland imports significant quantities of maize for animal feed and that it is likely that these GM products will be included in these imports if the Commission decides to adopt this measure, it was also agreed to forward these proposals to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for information. Given that the Department of Health and Children has primary responsibility for GMO in respect of food, it was also agreed to forward these proposals to the Joint Committee on Health and Children for information.	Adopted by act of Commission as Commission Decision of 28 July 2010 renewing the authorisation for continued marketing of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 (SYN-BTØ11-1), authorising foods and food ingredients containing or consisting of field maize Bt11 (SYN-BTØ11-1) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Decision 2004/657/EC (2010/419/EU) (OJ L197, 29.07.2010 p11) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:197:0011:0014:EN:PDF
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COM (2010) 299	Proposal for a Council Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize MON89034xNK603 (MON-89Ø34-3xMON-ØØ6Ø3-6) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council	Given that the Council has already decided on these proposals and that the JCES has already considered the issue of the authorisation of GMOs in general terms, it was agreed that these proposal do not warrant scrutiny by this Committee. However, given that Ireland imports significant quantities of maize for animal feed and that it is likely that these GM products will be included in these imports if the Commission decides to adopt this measure, it was also agreed to forward these proposals to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for information. Given that the Department of Health and Children has primary responsibility for GMO in respect of food, it was also agreed to forward these proposals to the Joint Committee on Health and Children for information.	Adopted by act of Commission as Commission Decision of 28 July 2010 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize MON89034xNK603 (MON-89Ø34-3xMON-ØØ6Ø3-6) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (2010/420/EU) (OJ L197, 29.07.2010 p15) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:197:0015:0018:EN:PDF
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COM (2010) 306	Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No. 53/2010 as regards certain fishing opportunities for cod, redfish and bluefin tuna and excluding certain groups of vessels from the fishing effort regime laid down in Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008	Further scrutiny 13/07/10 This proposal has both a positive implication for the Irish fishing industry in terms of the proposed exclusion of Irish fishing vessels for the Cod Recovery Plan and a possible negative implication in terms of the proposed transfer of effort and capacity of the Netherlands' fishing fleet from the North sea to the Irish Sea. It is therefore proposed that this proposal warrants further scrutiny. To this end, it was agreed to refer this proposal to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for detailed scrutiny	Adopted at Council (General Affairs) on 26 th July 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 712/2010 of 26 July 2010 amending Regulation (EU) No 53/2010 as regards certain fishing opportunities and amending Regulation (EC) No 754/2009 (OJL 209, 10.08.2010, p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:209:0001:0013:EN:PDF
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COM (2010) 325	Proposal for a Regulation (EU) No of the European Parliament and of the Council of amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005 as regards the prohibition of highgrading and restrictions on fishing for flounder and turbot in the Baltic Sea, the Belts and the Sound	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Adopted by Written Procedure on 15th December as Regulation (EU) No 1237/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005 as regards the prohibition of highgrading and restrictions on fishing for flounder and turbot in the Baltic Sea, the Belts and the Sound (OJL 348, 31.12.2010 p 34) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:348:0034:0035:EN:PDF
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COM (2010) 336	Proposal for a Regulation (EU) No of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 (Single CMO Regulation) as regards the aid granted in the framework of the German Alcohol Monopoly	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Adopted by Written Procedure on 15th December as Regulation (EU) No 1234/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 (Single CMO Regulation) as regards the aid granted in the framework of the German Alcohol Monopoly. The Agreement will be applied from the 1 st January 2011. (OJL 346, 30.12.2010 p 11) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:346:0011:0012:EN:PDF
COM (2010) 359	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the marketing of material for the vegetative propagation of the vine (Recast)	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 366	Proposal for a Council Decision on the European Union position on Decision No 1/2010 of the Joint Veterinary Committee set up by the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products regarding the amendment of Appendices 1, 2, 5, 6, 10 and 11 to Annex 11 to the Agreement	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29 th November 2010 as Decision No 1/2010 of the Joint Veterinary Committee set up by the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products of 1 December 2010 regarding the amendment of Appendices 1, 2, 5, 6, 10 and 11 to Annex 11 to the Agreement (2010/797/EU) (OJL 338, 22.12.2010 p50) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:338:0050:0059:EN:PDF
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COM (2010) 374	Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing the fishing opportunities for anchovy in the Bay of Biscay for the 2010-2011 fishing season and amending Regulation (EU) No 53/2010	Agreed to be noted 21/09/2010	Adopted at Council (General affairs) on 26th July 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 685/2010 of 26 July 2010 establishing the fishing opportunities for anchovy in the Bay of Biscay for the 2010/11 fishing season and amending Regulation (EU) No 53/2010 (OJL 199, 31.07.2010 p 1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:199:0001:0003:EN:PDF
COM (2010) 393	Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 708/2007 concerning use of alien and locally absent species in aquaculture	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 395	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approval of agricultural or forestry vehicles	No further scrutiny 12/10/10	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 405	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature of a voluntary partnership agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cameroon on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and derived products to the European Union (FLEGT)	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 27 th September 2010 Agreement was signed by both parties on 6 October 2010 Awaiting publication in the Official Journal
COM (2010) 406	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of a voluntary partnership agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Cameroon on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and derived products to the European Union (FLEGT).	No further scrutiny 21/09/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 444	Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the non-inclusion of 1,3-dichloropropene in Annex I to Council Directive 91/414/EEC	No further scrutiny 12/10/2010	Adopted by act of Commission as Commission Decision of 20 January 2011 concerning the non-inclusion of 1,3-dichloropropene in Annex I to Council Directive 91/414/EEC (2011/36/EU) (OJL 18 21.01.2011 p42) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2011:018:0042:0043:EN:PDF
COM (2010) 466	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of the Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway concerning additional trade preferences in agricultural products reached on the basis of Article 19 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.

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COM (2010) 467	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature of the Agreement in the form of the Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway concerning additional trade preferences in agricultural products reached on the basis of Article 19 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area	No further scrutiny 04/11/2010	Adopted at Council (Justice and Home Affairs) 8th November 2010 as Council Decision of 8 November 2010 on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway concerning additional trade preferences in agricultural products reached on the basis of Article 19 of the Agreement on the European Economic Area (2010/676/EU) (OJL 292, 10.11.2010 p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:292:0001:0001:EN:PDF
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COM (2010) 470	Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing for 2011 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in the Baltic Sea	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29th November 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 1124/2010 of 29 November 2010 fixing for 2011 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in the Baltic Sea (OJL 318, 04.12.2010 p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:318:0001:0009:EN:PDF
COM (2010) 483	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco concerning reciprocal liberalisation measures on agricultural products, processed agricultural products, fish and fishery products, the replacement of Protocols 1, 2 and 3 and their Annexes and amendments to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 485	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Kingdom of Morocco concerning reciprocal liberalisation measures on agricultural products, processed agricultural products, fish and fishery products, the replacement of Protocols 1, 2 and 3 and their Annexes and amendments to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part	No further scrutiny 04/11/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency
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COM (2010) 486	Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the council amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 1234/2007, as regards distribution of food products to the most deprived persons in the Union	No further scrutiny 04/11/2010 Based on the information available, it was agreed that this proposal does not breach the principle of subsidiarity and does not warrant further scrutiny by this Committee. However, given that the proposal is of some significance and may have an impact on the Irish exchequer, it was also agreed to forward the proposal to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for information.	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
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COM (2010) 488	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1288/2009 establishing transitional technical measures from 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2011	Further scrutiny 16/12/2010 Given the importance of this proposed Regulation, which proposes to continue, without change, the technical technical measures for the conservation and management of marine resources, as established in Council Regulation (EC) No 1288/2009, it was agreed that this proposal warrants further scrutiny. To this end, it was also agreed that the proposal is referred to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for detailed scrutiny	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 490	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 2001/112/EC relating to fruit juices and certain similar products intended for human consumption	No further scrutiny 04/11/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 498	Proposal for a Regulation (EU) No .../ of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 510	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on rear-mounted roll-over protection structures of narrow-track wheeled agricultural and forestry tractors	No further scrutiny 04/11/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency The Directive will enter into force on 1 st May 2011
COM (2010) 537	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 545	Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing for 2011 and 2012 the fishing opportunities for EU vessels for certain deep-sea fish stocks	No further scrutiny 18/11/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 13th December 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 1225/2010 of 13 December 2010 fixing for 2011 and 2012 the fishing opportunities for EU vessels for fish stocks of certain deep-sea fish species (OJL 336, 21.12.2010 p 1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:336:0001:0012:EN:PDF

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COM (2010) 563	Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the allocation of fishing opportunities under the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Union of the Comoros	No further scrutiny 02/12/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29th November 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 1212/2010 of 29 November 2010 concerning the allocation of the fishing opportunities under the Partnership Agreement in the fisheries sector between the European Community and the Union of the Comoros
			(OJL 335, 18.12.2010 P19)
			http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:335:0019:0020:EN:PDF

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COM (2010) 564	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing and on the provisional application of the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Union of the Comoros	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29th November 2010 as Council Decision of 29 November 2010 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and on the provisional application of the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Partnership Agreement in the fisheries sector between the European Community and the Union of the Comoros (2010/783/EU) (OJL 335, 18.12.2010 p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:335:0001:0002:EN:PDF
COM (2010) 565	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of a new Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Union of the Comoros	No further scrutiny 02/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 572	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and Federated States of Micronesia	No further scrutiny 02/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 574	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing and the provisional application of the Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and Federated States of Micronesia	No further scrutiny 02/12/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 13 th December 2010. Awaiting publication of Decision in Official Journal
COM (2010) 575	Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning the allocation of fishing opportunities under the Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and Federated States of Micronesia	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 13 December 2010. Awaiting publication of Regulation in Official Journal
COM (2010) 607	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2000/25/EC as regards the provisions for tractors placed on the market under the flexibility scheme	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 610	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on roll-over protection structures mounted in the front of driver's seats on narrow track wheeled agricultural and forestry tractors(Codification)	No further scrutiny 02/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency. The Directive will enter into force on 1 st May 2011
COM (2010) 635	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals (Codification)	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 644	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature of the Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs, amending the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 645	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union, the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community, the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein extending to the Principality of Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 646	Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature of the Agreement between the European Union, the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community, the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein extending to the Principality of Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency

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COM (2010) 647	Proposal for a Council Decision on the European Union position on the adaptation of Annex 3 to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 648	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs, amending the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency
COM (2010) 666	Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2000/75/EC as regards vaccination against bluetongue	No further scrutiny 16/12/2010	Adoption of the proposal is expected early in the Hungarian Presidency The Directive will enter into force on 1 st May 2011.

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Commission Proposal Number	Proposal/Measure	Date Reviewed/ Decision of the Sub-Committee	Update
COM(2010)075	Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the approval, on behalf of the European Union, of amendments to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries	No further scrutiny 15/06/2010	Adopted at Council (Justice and Home affairs) on 8 th November as Council Decision of 8 November 2010 on the approval, on behalf of the European Union, of the Amendment to the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (2010/717/EU) (OJL 321, 07.12.2010 p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:321:0001:0019:EN:PDF
COM (2010) 096	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1964/2005 on the tariff rates for bananas	No further scrutiny 11/05/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM (2010) 118	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of a voluntary partnership agreement between the European Union and the Republic of the Congo on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and derived products to the European Union (FLEGT)	No further scrutiny 11/05/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.

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COM(2010)154	Proposal for a Council Decision of [...] on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Republic of Chile on the conclusion of the Understanding concerning the conservation of swordfish stocks in the South-Eastern Pacific Ocean	No further scrutiny 15/06/2010	Adopted at Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on 3 June 2010 as Council Decision of 3 June 2010 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Understanding between the European Union and the Republic of Chile concerning the conservation of swordfish stocks in the South-Eastern Pacific Ocean. (2010/343/EU) (OJ L 155, 22.6.2010, p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:155:0001:0002:EN:PDF
COM(2010)177	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of a Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and Solomon Islands	No further scrutiny 15/06/2010	Adopted at Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 6 December 2010 as Council Decision of 6 December 2010 on the conclusion of a Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and Solomon Islands. (2010/763/EU) (OJ L 324, 9.12.2010, p48) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:324:0048:0048:EN:PDF

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COM(2010)249	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning European statistics on permanent crops	No further scrutiny 29/06/2010	Discussions will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM (2009) 510	Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union	No further scrutiny 15.12.2009	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29 th June 2010 and Signed by the European Parliament and Council on 7 July 2010 as Regulation (EU) No 641/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2010 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union (OJL 194, .24.07.2010 p23) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:194:0023:0025:EN:PDF
COM (2009) 506	Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009, as regards fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks	No further scrutiny 08.12.2009 Forwarded to Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and food for information.	Superseded by proposal COM(2010)306. Which was adopted at Council (General Affairs) on 26 July 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 712/2010 amending Regulation (EU) No 53/2010 as regards certain fishing opportunities and amending Regulation (EC) No 754/2009

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COM (2009) 505	Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 754/2009 excluding certain groups of vessels from the fishing effort regime laid down in Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008	No further scrutiny 08.12.2009 Forwarded to Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for information.	Superseded by proposal COM(2010)306. This was adopted at Council (General Affairs) on 26 July 2010 as Council Regulation (EU) No 712/2010 amending Regulation (EU) No 53/2010 as regards certain fishing opportunities and amending Regulation (EC) No 754/2009
COM (2009) 477	Proposal for a Council Regulation on certain provisions for fishing in the GFCM (General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean) Agreement Area	No further scrutiny 01.12.2009	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM (2009) 470	Council Decision on the establishment of the Community position to be adopted in the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna	No further scrutiny 01.12.2009	Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.

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COM (2009) 406	Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a catch documentation programme for bluefin tuna <i>Thunnus thynnus</i> and amending Regulation (EC) No 1984/2003	No further scrutiny 13.10.2009 Given the information provided it was agreed to note this document.	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29 th June 2010 and Signed by the European Parliament and Council on 7 July 2010 as Regulation (EU) No 640/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2010 establishing a catch documentation programme for bluefin tuna <i>Thunnus thynnus</i> and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1984/2003 (OJL 194 24.07.2010 p1) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:194:0001:0022:EN:PDF
COM (2009) 399	Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a long-term plan for the anchovy stock in the Bay of Biscay and the fisheries exploiting that stock	No further scrutiny 22.09.2009	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM (2009) 299	Proposal for a Council Directive on the marketing of seed potatoes (codified version)	No further scrutiny 03.09.09	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM (2009) 267	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing on the market and use of biocidal products	No further scrutiny 03.09.2009	Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.

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COM(2009)189	Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a multi-annual plan for the western stock of Atlantic horse mackerel and the fisheries exploiting that stock	No further scrutiny 30.06.2009	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM(2009)151	Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down a Scheme of control and enforcement applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries	No further scrutiny 16.06.2009	Adopted at Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 29 th November and signed by the European Parliament and Council on 15 December 2010 as Regulation (EU) No 1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010 laying down a scheme of control and enforcement applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999 (OJL 348, 31.12.2010 p17) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:348:0017:0033:EN:PDF

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COM (2009)122	Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a long-term plan for the northern stock of hake and the fisheries exploiting that stock	No further scrutiny 28.07.2009 It was agreed to note this measure and request the Department to update the committee on the progress made in the negotiations. The proposal will also be sent to the Joint Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for their information.	A progress report was submitted to the Oireachtas on 2 September 2009. Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM(2008)873	Proposal for a Council Directive laying down the principles governing the organisation of veterinary checks on animals entering the Community (codified version)	No further scrutiny 17.02.2009	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM(2008)697	Proposal for a Council Directive laying down control rules and measures to combat African horse sickness (codified version)	No further scrutiny 27.01.2009	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.

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COM(2008)644	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market	No further scrutiny 03.12.08 Forwarded to the Joint Committees on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; Enterprise, Trade and Employment; Environment, Heritage and Local Government; Finance; Communications, Energy and Natural Resources and Foreign Affairs for information	Adopted at Council (Competitiveness) on 11 October 2010 and Signed by the European Parliament and Council on 20 October as Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market (OJL 295, 12.11.2010 p23) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2010:295:0023:0034:EN:PDF
COM(2008)099	Proposal for a Council Directive concerning veterinary checks in intra-Community trade (codified version).	No further scrutiny 08.04.2008	Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon this proposal will now be co-decided with the European Parliament. Discussions on the proposal will continue during the Hungarian Presidency.
COM(2007)848	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the general rules on the definition, description and presentation of aromatized wines, aromatized wine-based drinks and aromatized wine-product cocktails (Recast).	No further scrutiny 08.04.2008	Some technical difficulties have arisen with the proposal and it has not been progressed.