

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

CO-ORDINATORS' MEETING

- not to be-treated in full committee -
IN CAMERA

Thursday, 12 January 2017, 8.30-9.30
Room - JAN2Q2

COORDINATORS' RESULTS

13.1.2017

Present:

Mr La Via, Chair
Mr Liese, Coordinator of the EPP group
Ms Dalli, Coordinator of the S&D group
Ms Girling, Coordinator of the ECR group
Mr Gerbrandy, Coordinator of the ALDE group
Ms Konecná, Coordinator of the GUE/NLG group
Mr Eickhout, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA group
Ms D'Ornano, Coordinator of the ENF group

1. ADOPTION OF DRAFT AGENDA

The draft agenda was adopted in the form shown in these minutes.

2. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

2.1 Main items discussed at last CCC

The Chair informed that the main item of last CCC was an exchange of views with Mr Verhostafdt, who updated the Committee Chairs on the situation on Brexit and asked input from committees on the key political issues that should be included in the EP resolution ahead of the European Council guidelines.

In relation to the Commission Work Programme 2017, it was announced at last CCC that the first Joint Declaration by the Commission, EP and Council had been adopted.

2.2 Entry into force of new Rules of Procedure (constitutive meetings)

The Chair reminded that a revision of the Rules of Procedure was adopted during the December session and will enter into force next Monday. In relation to the constitutive meeting of committees, the Chair drew attention to new Rule 204 which provides that "*The diversity of Parliament must be*

reflected in the composition of the bureau of each committee; it shall not be permissible to have an all male or all female bureau or for all of the Vice-Chairs to come from the same Member State.”

2.3 Mission to China

The Chinese Mission has informally informed that the date chosen for the ENVI mission to China during the February turquoise week is not suitable given the current political climate, as reflected in recent resolutions on human rights adopted in plenary. The Chinese Mission suggested to postpone the ENVI mission to a turquoise week in the second half of the year (possibly July (17-21 July) or September (18-22 September)). The Chair was mandated to write a letter to the Chinese Minister to support the ENVI request, in the light of the fruitful exchanges they had during the COP22 in Marrakech.

2.4 Presence of MEPs in ENVI

The Chair asked coordinators to draw the attention of their Members to the problem of low attendance and asked them in future to ensure a good presence of Members at least from the group who requested to put the item on the committee agenda.

3. DECISIONS ON URGENT MATTERS

3.1 State of play of cooperation with other committees

3.1.1 TRAN Committee challenge of competence on the INI on International Ocean Governance

Decision taken: *Coordinators mandated the Chair to reply to the letter, rejecting the request of the TRAN Committee.*

3.1.2 Legislative proposal on “Governance of the Energy Union” - Decision on procedure

Decision taken: *Coordinators mandated the Chair to request the application of Rule 55, as the proposal falls indissociably within the competences of ENVI and ITRE Committees*

3.1.3 Legislative proposal on “Promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources” - Decision on procedure

Decision taken: *Coordinators mandated the Chair to request the application of Rule 54, with exclusive competence of ENVI as regards sustainability criteria, greenhouse gas emissions savings and biofuels/ILUC (exact share of exclusive and shared competences to be agreed in written procedure).*

3.2 Composition of ENVI delegation to ECDC, February 2017

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided the following composition: Mr Jose Faria (PPE), Mr Nicola Caputo (S&D), Ms Kata ina Konecn (GUE /NGL, ENVI current contact person for ECDC)*

3.3 UK withdrawal from the EU

3.3.1 Input to CCC on impact of UK withdrawal on policy areas within ENVI remit

Decision taken: *Coordinators endorsed the working documents to be sent to the CCC Chair by 13 January and used as a basis to obtain more factual elements from the Commission.*

3.3.2 Input to EP resolution in view of the European Council negotiation guidelines

Decision taken: *Coordinators instructed the secretariat to draft, on the basis of the input received by political groups, a proposal for ENVI's contribution to the EP resolution, to be submitted to them, possibly in written procedure.*

3.4 Possible exchange of views with the Commission on the draft Commission Implementing Decision on a simplified procedure for amending the list of establishments in Canada from which the Member States are authorised to import commodities for human consumption for which equivalence has been agreed between the Union and Canada

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to invite the Commission to an ENVI committee meeting to have an exchange of views on the draft Commission Implementing Decision.*

3.5 Possible exchange of views with the Commission on the Environmental Implementation Review (EIR) initiative

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to invite the Commission for a presentation of the upcoming Communication on the Environmental Implementation Review in one of the first ENVI meetings in 2017.*

3.6 Global Day for Rare Diseases (28 February) - Possible exchange of views with the Commission

Decision taken *Coordinators decided to invite the Commission to the ENVI meeting of 28 February to have an exchange of views on the issues related to rare diseases.*

3.7 Upcoming Commission proposal on inclusion of aviation in ETS legislation following ICAO agreement on CORSIA

Decision taken *Coordinators mandated the Chair to write to the Commission on the impacts of reservations expressed by important countries. The issue of the consultation of the EP Legal service will be reassessed once the Commission will put forward its proposal.*

4. PROPOSALS FOR DECISION WITHOUT DEBATE

4.1 Decisions on procedure

4.1.1 Motions for resolution Rule 133

- 1. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on emissions from coal-fired power stations by Isabella Adinolfi - B8-1242/2016**
- 2. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the problem of the sale of alcohol to minors by Aldo Patriciello - B8-1328/2016**
- 3. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on iodine deficiency by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1370/2016**
- 4. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the presence of pesticides in non-organic muesli by Mireille d'Ornano. - B8-1371/2016**
- 5. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on fluoride in dental hygiene products by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1374/2016**
- 6. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the brain drain in the health sector by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1376/2016**
- 7. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on salt consumption in the EU by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1377/2016**
- 8. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on vaccination programmes suited to ageing populations by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1378/2016**
- 9. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the eradication of polio by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1379/2016**

- 10. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on diflubenzuron by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1380/2016**
- 11. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on *Candida auris* by Mireille d'Ornano - B8-1383/2016**
- 12. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on assessing the impact of the use of green asphalt in road surfacings in the EU by Aldo Patriciello - B8-1390/2016**
- 13. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on promoting good hydration by Dominique Bilde - B8-1392/2016**
- 14. Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the drafting of European legislation on combating food wastage by Aldo Patriciello - B8-1401/2016**

Decision taken: ***No follow-up needed. The Chair will reply accordingly to the author(s) of the motions for resolution.***

4.1.2 Short-list of candidates for INI reports

None

4.2 Petitions for opinion

- Petition No **0432/2016** by Zoltán Tóth (Hungarian) on stopping the commercial sale of honey products which are manipulated by macro-reticulated synthetic resin in order to conceal the honey's geographical origin or to modify its colour and other parameters to make them compliant**

with the current (and in the petitioner's opinion not sufficient) EU quality requirements.

Decision taken: *No opinion - the Chairman will reply by letter to the PETI Chair.*

4.3 Annual scrutiny plan - Deadline for proposals

Decision taken:

- *to set a deadline for 1 February 2017 close of business for political groups to submit to the secretariat their proposals for scrutiny-related activities to be carried out in 2017;*
- *to instruct the secretariat to prepare a working draft table of the annual scrutiny plan 2016 listing the suggestions received, in time for consideration at their meeting of 28 February 2017.*

4.4 Structured dialogue - Decision on procedure

Decision taken: *Coordinators decided to hold exchange of views, as in the previous years, with Vice-Presidents TIMMERMANS, KATAINEN and SEFCOVIC and Commissioners VELLA, ANDRIUKAITIS and ARIAS CAÑETE*

4.5 Proposals for ECA 2018 Work Programme

Decision taken: *Coordinators set a deadline to submit in writing proposals for priority areas for 2018 by 24 January close of business.*

5. POINTS FOR INFORMATION

5.1 On-going INI reports in ENVI

The file included the list of on-going INI reports.

5.2 Petitions for information

- Petition No **0654/2016** by Tommy Hildorsson (Swedish), bearing 1 286 signatures, on the abolition of summer-time.
- Petition No **1282/2015** by S.G-C (German) on a law to prevent food waste.
- Petition No **0560/2016** by A.G.S (Spanish) on the management of wolf hunting south of the River Duero.
- Petition No **0421/2016** by Cesare Rigoni. (Italian) on issuing of licences for tobacco shops in the Lombardy region (Italy).
- Petition No **0135/2016** by G. C. (Italian), bearing 98 signatures, on oil exploration in Italy and risks to the environment and public health.
- Petition No **0579/2016** by Maria Cipparrone (Italian) on the slaughter of abandoned dogs and cats in Spanish 'perreras' (kennels)
- Petition No **0471/2016** by Pasquale Annunziata (Italian) on the euthanasia of animals as an instrument to contain the dog and cat population.
- Petition No **0032/2016** by Geert Poelman (Dutch) on problems with the implementation of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 on the provision of food information to consumers.

5.3 *Rolling check-list on reporting and review clauses in EU legislation*

The file included the updated rolling check-list.

5.4 *Recent Court rulings of interest for the ENVI Committee*

- Judgment of the Court of Justice of 24 November 2016 in Joined Cases C-408/15 P and C-409/15 P *Ackermann Saatzucht and Others v Parliament and Council ABZ Aardbeien Uit Zaad Holding and Others v Parliament and Council* - The Court of Justice confirms the inadmissibility of actions brought by some plant breeders against the Nagoya Regulation .

5.5 *Programme of Public Hearing on LULUCF*

The file included the draft programme of the above Public Hearing.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

7. NEXT COORDINATORS' MEETING

Tuesday, 31 January 2017 9.00-10.00 (tbc)