

Newsletter

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Meeting of:

Monday 9 October 2017

15.00 - 18.30

Tuesday 10 October 2017

9.00 - 12.30 and 14.30 - 18.30

Room: JAN 6Q2

Brussels



Highlights

US trade defence proceedings against imports of Spanish black table olives



On Tuesday afternoon, Commission representatives (DGs AGRI & TRADE) will brief Members on the implications of the decision taken last July by the US Department of Commerce to open an investigation into imports of olives from Spain, on the grounds that they benefit from unfair subsidies, allowing them to be sold below market price. Members have raised concerns that should the US decide to impose anti-dumping measures based on such justifications it could set a precedent for other production sectors and Members will be interested to know what steps the Commission is taking to protect EU interests.

State of play of and EU measures taken to control African Swine Fever



A representative of DG SANTE of the Commission will update Members on the state of play and the EU measures taken to control African Swine Fever. This notably concerns Lithuania and Poland but has implications for the neighbouring countries and for the European pig meat sector as a whole.

Presentation of the report on the AGRI mission to Croatia, 19 - 21 September 2017



The committee will discuss the recent AGRI mission to Croatia, jointly organized by Marijana Petir (EPP, HR) and Ivan Jakovic (ALDE, HR), which took place in late September 2017. Its aim was to allow Members to gain a better knowledge on the ground of the situation of the country's agricultural sector.

Work in progress

Situation and prospects for the sheep and goat sectors in the EU



In the context of the preparation of an own initiative report on the sheep and goat meat sector, for which Esther Herranz Garcia (EPP, ES) is rapporteur, Members will hear from Francisco Marcèn Bosque of INTEROVIC, a Spanish branch organisation representing the ovine and caprine sectors.

Financial rules applicable to the budget of the Union - 'Omnibus Proposal'



The rapporteur for the agricultural part of the 'Omnibus' proposal Albert Deß (EPP, DE) will update Members on the on-going trilogue negotiations with the Council and the Commission. The third trilogue on the agricultural elements of this proposal took place on 27 September.

Annual report on competition policy



Tibor Szanyi (S&D, HU) will present his draft opinion on the Commission's annual report on competition policy to AGRI colleagues. ECON is the lead committee for the file.

Votes

Integrated farm statistics



Members will vote on Viorica Dăncilă's (S&D, RO) draft report on Integrated Farm Statistics, for which the rapporteur has put forward 7 compromises. A total of 112 amendments will also be put to the vote.

Protection of workers from risks of exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work



The next vote will be on a draft opinion by José Bové (Greens/ EFA, FR) on the protection of workers from risks of exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work. A total of 46 amendments will be put to the vote. The lead committee for the file is EMPL.

Governance of the Energy Union



The vote on Jens Rohde's (ALDE, DA) draft opinion on the governance of the Energy Union involves 6 compromises and 236 amendments. ITRE and ENVI share the status of lead committee for this file.

Presentation, labelling and protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks



The last vote scheduled concerns the draft opinion by Angélique Delahaye (EPP, FR) on the presentation, labelling and protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks, involving 6 compromises and 311 amendments. The lead committee for the file is ENVI.

Next committee meetings

11 October 9.30 -12.30 Joint AGRI-ENVI Public Hearing on "The Monsanto papers and glyphosate"
6 November, 15.00 - 18.30
9 November, 9.00 - 12.30
22 November, 9.00 – 12.30 and 15.00 – 18.30
23 November, 9.00 – 12.30
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