EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

CO-ORDINATORS’ MEETING

Thursday 16 January 2014, 9.00 - 10.00

Room LOW S.4.4.

RESULTS

16.1.2014

Present
Mr Groote, Chairman
Mr Seeber, Co-coordinator of the EPP Group
Ms McAvan, Coordinator of the S&D Group
Mr Davies, Coordinator of the ALDE Group
Mr Hassi, Coordinator of the Greens/EFA Group
Ms Rosbach, Coordinator of the ECR Group
Ms Liotard, Coordinator of the GUE/NGL Group
Mr Cymański, Coordinator of the EFD Group

Apologies:
Mr Liese, Co-coordinator of the EPP Group

Also present:
Ms Ayuso, contact person for the EFSA (present for item 1.)

I. EFSA Management Board - EP opinion on the appointment of 7 new Members
[EI]

- In the presence of Ms Ayuso MEP, contact person for relations with the EFSA

The papers for the meeting included:

- a transmission letter of 2 December 2013 from Mr Cloos to President Schulz
- a letter of 2 December 2013 from Mr Cloos to President Schulz on the procedure and the deadline

Decision

The coordinators
• acting on the basis of Article 25 of EFSA’s Founding Regulation according to which "the European Parliament may make its views available for consideration by the Council" and that "four of the members shall have their background in organisations representing consumers and other interests in the food chain"

• took note of a list of 23 candidates¹ for the 7 places to be filled which had been drawn up by the Commission and forwarded to the European Parliament by the Council

• held an extensive exchange of views

• noted that 4 of the remaining 8 Members of the Management Board were women and 4 men, stemming from the UK, IT, FR, FI, RO, CZ, PL and the European Commission;²

• agreed that it was important to achieve gender balance on the Management Board of the EFSA;

• decided, therefore, to recommend that the 7 vacant seats should be filled by appointing candidates from among the following 8 persons, 4 women and 4 men, listed within the two sub-groups in descending order according to the support they had obtained from the various political groups:

Female candidates:
  o Ms Beate KETTLITZ (DE, background in 'organisations representing other interests in the food chain', Article 25(1) first sub-paragraph)
  o Ms Zita CEPONYTE (LT, background in 'organisations representing consumers', Article 25(1) first sub-paragraph)
  o Ms Inger ANDERSSON (SE)
  o Ms Fiorella BELPOGGI (IT)

Male candidates
  o Mr Jan MOUSING (DK, background in 'organisations representing other interests in the food chain', Article 25(1) first sub-paragraph)
  o Mr Raymond O’ROURKE (IE, background in 'organisations representing consumers', Article 25(1) first sub-paragraph)
  o Mr Michael WINTER (DE)
  o Mr Iñaki EGUILEOR (ES)

• instructed the chairman to write to the President of the European Parliament so as to inform him of the outcome of the deliberations.

Note: The European Parliament must inform the Council of the Parliament’s position within three months, that is before 3 March 2014 (the Council letter was officially received by Parliament on 3 December 2013).

¹ Note: One candidate, Alan Reilly, had withdrawn his candidacy the day before.
² A list of current members of the EFSA Management Board can be found at the following address: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/mb/mbmembers.htm
2. Arrangements for the hearing of the organisers of the European Citizens' Initiative "Right2Water\\n[\textit{EI \& TV}]\\n
The papers for the meeting included\\n\begin{itemize}\\n\item the support form signed by the citizens\\n\item the outline of the initiative\\n\item a letter of 23 December from Mr. Lehne to Mr. Schulz and reply from Mr. Schulz\\n\item the suggested hearing structure\\n\end{itemize}\\n
\textbf{Decision}\\n
\textbf{The Coordinators}\\n\begin{itemize}\\n\item held an extensive exchange of views\\n\item agreed on the proposed draft structure of the hearing with the following changes\\n  \begin{itemize}\\n  \item "Goal 2: No liberalisation of water services" should be presented and discussed in the third round in order to maximise Members' attendance\\n  \item no experts shall be invited; instead, the three Commissioners most concerned by the three goals of the initiative shall be invited to attend the meeting and to answer possible questions as to the Commission's position\\n  \item although only 3 of the organisers would be entitled to claim the reimbursement of their travel expenditure, all 7 organisers of the initiative would be given the opportunity to answer questions in the question and answer sessions. The same time-budgets shall be made available for up to 36 questions from Members on the one hand and for the answers on the other hand.\\n  \end{itemize}\\n\item instructed the Secretariat to revise the outline of the hearing accordingly and to proceed with the necessary preparations.\\n\end{itemize}
3. Request by Ms Hassi on the vote on the first reading agreement concluded with the Council on the Zanoni report on Environmental Impact Assessment [EI]

This item was postponed owing to lack of time.

4. Cancellation of ENVI meeting date: Monday 27 January 2014, p.m. [JK]

**Action proposed**

The half-day of Monday, 27 January 2014, p.m. was cancelled because all relevant business could be dealt with during the ENVI meetings on 22-23 January and 30 January 2014.

5. Request for an Oral Question (in the plenary) on the feasibility of introducing mandatory country of origin labelling [IF]

This item was postponed owing to lack of time.

6. Further steps on the resolution on cloning of animals for food supply. [EI]

**Decision**

Owing to lack of time it was decided to take the necessary decision in a written procedure.

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**D. DOCUMENTS FOR INFORMATION**

None