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**Equivalence of EU and UK rules on field inspections and checks/agricultural plant species
(Category C)**

OPINION

European Economic and Social Committee

**Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council
Decisions 2003/17/EC and 2005/834/EC as regards the equivalence of field inspections and the
equivalence of checks on practices for the maintenance of varieties of agricultural plant species
carried out in the United Kingdom**

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Referral	European Parliament, 18/01/2021 Council, 08/01/2021
Legal basis	Article 43, paragraph 2 and article 304 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
Section responsible	Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment
Adopted at plenary	27/01/2021
Plenary session No	557
Outcome of vote (for/against/abstentions)	unanimous in favour

Since the Committee endorses the content of the proposal and feels that it requires no comment on its part, it decided unanimously, at its 557th plenary session of 27 and 28 January 2021 (meeting of 27 January), to issue an opinion endorsing the proposed text.

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