

Common agricultural policy (CAP): national restructuring programmes for the cotton sector 2010-2017

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The European Parliament adopted by 592 votes to 48 with 32 abstentions, a legislative resolution amending, under the consultation procedure, the proposal for a Council regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 637/2008 as regards the national restructuring programmes for the cotton sector.

The only amendment aims to clarify the true cause of the crisis facing this sector. It stresses that the reform that entered into force on 1 January 2006 led to a drastic fall in cotton production in Spain that has seriously jeopardised the sector's survival, resulting in the immediate restructuring of the ginning industry.