Common agricultural policy (CAP): support schemes for farmers, voluntary modulation of direct payments; alignment of the Regulation with the TFEU (Commission delegated and implementing powers)

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The European Parliament adopted by 641 votes to 21, with 9 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 378/2007 as regards the rules for the implementation of voluntary modulation of direct payments under the common agricultural policy.

It adopted its position at first reading under the ordinary legislative procedure. The amendment adopted in plenary are the result of a compromise reached between the European Parliament and the Council. They amend the Commission's proposal as regards the adaptation of the legislation to the provisions of the TFEU as regards the implementing powers.

The amended text stipulates that in order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 378/2007 in the Member States concerned, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission.

The implementing powers relating to the adoption of specific provisions for the integration of voluntary modulation in the rural development programming and for the financial management of voluntary modulation should be exercised in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers.

The Commission should, by means of implementing acts and, given their special nature, acting without the application of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, fix the net amounts resulting from the application of voluntary modulation.