Importation of seed: equivalence principle; extending period of application and updating names of third countries and authorities

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The Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development adopted the legislative report by Paolo DE CASTRO (S&D, IT) on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Decision 2003/17/EC by extending its period of application and by updating the names of a third country and of the authorities responsible for the approval and control of the production.

The committee recommends that the Commission proposal be accepted by Parliament in its substance as it stands.

Nevertheless, to avoid any possible obstacles to the prompt adoption of this urgent proposal, Members propose the deletion of the current comitology provisions of the amended Decision (i.e. its Articles 4 and 5).