Convention on Biological Diversity: Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization

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The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety unanimously adopted the report by Sandrine BÉLIER (Greens/EFA, FR) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilisation to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Given that the Nagoya Protocol provides greater legal certainty and more transparency for both providers and users of genetic resources and creates incentives to preserve genetic resources ‘in situ’ and use them in a sustainable manner, Members considered it essential that the European Union and all its Member States ratify it as soon as possible.</Depute>