Genetically modified organisms GMOs: traceability and labelling

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Six amendments (or parts thereof) were adopted by the Parliament and the Commission can accept these amendments in full: - a new recital referring to the Commission's reporting obligations; - a new recital on the need for consumer choice; - the introduction of the need for standardised procedures for the holding of traceability information for products containing GMOs and products produced from GMOs; - the need to publish the guidelines for sampling and testing; - central registers will have to be introduced under Directive 2001/18/EC and the Proposal on GM Food and Feed. These registers will contain very similar if not identical information and will be inter-linked.