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NOTE

From:	Presidency
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Nomination of Member States' representatives to the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority

1. Regulation (EU) 2019/1381¹ on the transparency and sustainability of the EU risk assessment in the food chain modified the provisions laid down in Regulation (EC) No 178/2002², in particular its Article 25(1) on the composition of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA).
2. In accordance with Article 10(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1381, the term of office of the members of the EFSA Management Board in office on 30 June 2022 will expire on that date. Members of the new Management Board are to be nominated and appointed under the new rules to start their term of office on 1 July 2022.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2019/1381 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on the transparency and sustainability of the EU risk assessment in the food chain and amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 1829/2003, (EC) No 1831/2003, (EC) No 2065/2003, (EC) No 1935/2004, (EC) No 1331/2008, (EC) No 1107/2009, (EU) 2015/2283 and Directive 2001/18/EC (OJ L 231, 6.9.2019, p. 1)

² Regulation (EC) 178/2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1).

3. In accordance with Article 25(1) of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002, as modified by Regulation (EU) 2019/1381, each Member State should nominate a member and an alternate member as its representatives to the Management Board. The members and alternate members nominated by each Member State will be appointed by the Council, for a period of four years, which may be renewed.
4. The members and the alternate members of the Management Board shall be nominated and appointed on the basis of their relevant experience and expertise in the field of food chain law and policy, including risk assessment, whilst ensuring that there is relevant expertise in the fields of managerial, administrative, financial and legal matters within the Management Board³.
5. With a view to allowing the new members of the Management Board to start their functions on 1 July 2022, the Council should adopt the appointment Decision well in advance of that date.
6. Delegations are therefore invited to inform the Presidency (Mitja.Sedlbauer@gov.si; nicolas.poncon@diplomatie.gouv.fr), with a copy to the General Secretariat of the Council (LIFE.3@consilium.europa.eu), of the names of their candidates for members and alternate members of the Management Board, also enclosing the CVs and any supporting evidence attesting to the fulfilment of the requirements, in particular those listed in Article 25(1b) of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002, **by 31 January 2022**.

³ Article 25(1b) of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002, as inserted by Article 1(4)(b) *in fine* of Regulation (EU) 2019/1381.