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1. Adoption of the agenda

At the request of the Spanish delegation, the SCA agreed to add an any other business item.
The agenda was adopted.

No UK representative attended the meeting.

Non-discussion items (I)

2. Summary record of the 1608th meeting of the SCA 13754/19

The SCA approved the summary record.

Discussion items (II)

3. Post-2020 CAP reform package 13824/19

- a) Regulation on CAP Strategic Plans 13749/19
- b) Regulation on financing, management and monitoring of the CAP 13750/19
- c) Regulation on common market organisation (CMO) of agricultural products

Preparation of the Council debate

Exchange of views on environmental and climate-related aspects

Exchange of views on direct payments

In preparation for the "Agriculture and Fisheries" Council of 18 November 2019, the SCA took note of the revised Presidency paper on environmental and climate-related issues set out in document 13824/19, endorsed the Presidency's questions proposed in this document for the Council's debate and took note of the delegations' preliminary views on them.

The SCA also exchanged views on a Presidency paper on the state of play on environmental and climate-related aspects of the CAP reform, set out in document 13749/19, and took note of delegations' and the Commission's comments on it.

The Presidency noted that delegations considered that the proposed drafting suggestions were heading in the right direction but that there were still divergent opinions on some topics such as Statutory Management Requirements (SMR) 7 to 9, Good Agriculture and Environmental Conditions (GAEC) 1 and 9, the treatment of small farmers in relation to conditionality, and investments. The Presidency would further reflect on the relevant articles.

The Presidency decided to defer the exchange of views on direct payments to the next SCA meeting.

Any other business

4. Market situation for vegetables in Spain - entries of products from third countries.

Information from the Spanish delegation

The SCA took note of the information provided by the ES delegation and of the Commission's reaction.

5. Organisation of future work

The Presidency informed the SCA about the next SCA meeting on 25 November 2019 and about the "Agriculture and Fisheries" Council meeting on 18 November 2019.

The HU and IT delegations requested AOB items to be tabled at that Council meeting, on the increasing difficulties in the apiculture sector and on problems concerning imports of rice from Myanmar respectively.

Also for that Council meeting, the Commission requested an AOB item on the successful conclusion of the EU-China bilateral GI agreement.



First reading



Item based on a Commission proposal