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## I. INTRODUCTION

On 8 November 2021, the Special Committee on Agriculture confirmed that should the European Parliament approve the abovementioned Commission's proposal without amendments, the Council would approve the European Parliament's position.

In this context, the rapporteur, Riho TERRAS (EPP, EE), tabled the Commission's proposal for a Regulation on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development. No amendments were tabled.

## II. VOTE

When it voted on 23 November 2021, the Parliament adopted its first-reading position by taking over the Commission's proposal. This position is contained in the Parliament's legislative resolution as set out in the Annex hereto.

The Council should therefore be in a position to approve the Parliament's position, thus bringing to a close the first reading for both Institutions.

The legislative act would then be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the Parliament's position.

**ANNEX**
**(23.11.2021)**

# Integrated farm statistics: Union contribution under the MFF for the years 2021 to 2027 ***I

**European Parliament legislative resolution of 23 November 2021 on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 as regards the Union contribution for the integrated farm statistics under the 2021-2027 financial framework (COM(2021)0477 – C9-0346/2021 – 2021/0270(COD))**

**(Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading)**

*The European Parliament*,

– having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council (COM(2021)0477),

– having regard to Article 294(2) and Article 338(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C9-0346/2021),

– having regard to Article 294(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

– having regard to the provisional agreement approved by the committee responsible under Rule 74(4) of its Rules of Procedure and the undertaking given by the Council representative by letter of 8 November 2021 to approve Parliament's position, in accordance with Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

– having regard to Rule 59 of its Rules of Procedure,

– having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development (A9-0310/2021),

1. Adopts its position at first reading hereinafter set out;

2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it replaces, substantially amends or intends to substantially amend its proposal;

3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the national parliaments.

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**Position of the European Parliament adopted at first reading on 23 November 2021 with a view to the adoption of Regulation (EU) 2021/… of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 as regards the Union contribution for integrated farm statistics under Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027**

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 338(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,

Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure[1],

[1] Position of the European Parliament of 23 November 2021.

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 of the European Parliament and of the Council[2] provides that Member States are to collect and provide core structural data and module data related to agricultural holdings ('core data' and 'module data', respectively) for the reference years 2023 and 2026.

(2) To carry out the farm structure surveys and to satisfy the information requirements of the Union, a considerable amount of funding is required from Member States and from the Union.

(3) Member States are to receive a maximum financial contribution of 75 % from the Union towards the costs of the core data and module data collections for the reference years 2023 and 2026, subject to the maximum amounts specified in Regulation (EU) 2018/1091.

[2] Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on integrated farm statistics and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1166/2008 and (EU) No 1337/2011 (OJ L 200, 7.8.2018, p. 1).

(4) Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 lays down the financial envelope for the entire duration of the relevant multiannual financial framework (MFF) and includes a provision for establishing the amount to be granted for further data collections under the subsequent MFF covering the farm structure surveys for the reference years 2023 and 2026.

(5) That subsequent MFF for the years 2021 to 2027 was laid down by Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093[3].

(6) In accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1091, the amount of the Union contribution for integrated farm statistics under the MFF for the years 2021 to 2027 is to be fixed by the European Parliament and the Council, based on a proposal from the Commission following the date of entry into force of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093.

(7) The amount proposed for the years 2021 to 2027 should finance the farm structure surveys conducted in 2023 and 2026 only, including the costs related to the management, maintenance and development of the databases used by the Commission to process the data provided by Member States.

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[3] Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 of 17 December 2020 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027 (*OJ L 433I, 22.12.2020, p. 11).*

(8) In addition, following its withdrawal from the Union, it is appropriate to delete the reference in Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 to the United Kingdom.

(9) Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(10) The European Statistical System Committee established by Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council[4] has been consulted.

(11) This Regulation should enter into force as a matter of urgency on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* in order to ensure that the Member States receive financing from the Union in a timely manner to allow their national statistical institutes to prepare the data collection for the reference year 2023,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

[4] Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics and repealing Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1101/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, and Council Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom establishing a Committee on the Statistical Programmes of the European Communities (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164).

Article 1

Regulation (EU) 2018/1091 is amended as follows:

(1) Article 13 is amended as follows:

(a) paragraph 4 is amended as follows:

(i) the introductory part is replaced by the following:

‘For the combined costs of the core data and module data collections for the reference years 2023 and 2026, the Union financial contribution shall be limited to the maximum amounts specified below:’;

(ii) point (c) is replaced by the following:

‘(c) EUR 2 000 000 each for Bulgaria, Germany, Hungary and Portugal;’;

(b) paragraph 5 is deleted;

(c) paragraph 7 is replaced by the following:

‘7. The Union financial contribution for the grants referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article shall be provided by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund under Article 4(2), point (d), of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 and, as from 1 January 2023, under Article 5(3), point (d), of Regulation (EU) 2021/… of the European Parliament and the Council[*+].

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[*] Regulation (EU) …/… of the European Parliament and of the Council of …. on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agriculture policy and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 (OJ L …, ....., p…).’;

(2) in Article 14, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. The Union financial envelope for the implementation of the programme of data collections for the reference years 2023 and 2026, including the appropriations necessary for the management, maintenance and development of the database systems used within the Commission to process the data provided by the Member States under this Regulation, shall be EUR 40 000 000 for the period covered by Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093[*].

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[*] Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 of 17 December 2020 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027 (OJ L 433I, 22.12.2020, p. 11).’.

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[+] OJ: Please insert in the text the number of the Regulation in document PE-CONS 65/21 (2018/0217 (COD)) and in the corresponding footnote the number, date of adoption and publication reference of that Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at ...,

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| *For the European Parliament* | *For the Council* |
| *The President* | *The President* |