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From:	Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Ms Martine DEPREZ, Director
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards multiannual survey programmes, notifications concerning the presence of regulated non-quarantine pests, temporary derogations from import prohibitions and special import requirements and establishment of procedures for granting them, temporary import requirements for high risk plants, plant products and other objects, the establishment of procedures for the listing of high risk plants, the content of phytosanitary certificates, the use of plant passports and as regards certain reporting requirements for demarcated areas and surveys of pest - European Economic and Social Committee's Opinion

Delegations will find attached the Opinion[1] of the European Economic and Social Committee concerning the above proposal.

[1] This opinion is also available in other language versions on EESC's website: https://dmsearch.eesc.europa.eu/search/opinion

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OPINION

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Plant health policy

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Referral	Council, 16/11/2023 European Parliament, 20/11/2023
Legal basis	Articles 43(2), and 304 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
Section responsible	Section for Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment
Adopted at plenary	13/12/2023
Plenary session No	583
Outcome of vote (for/against/abstentions)	194/0/2

Since the Committee unreservedly endorses the content of the proposal and feels that it requires no comment on its part, it decided to issue an opinion endorsing the proposed text.

Brussels, 13 December 2023

Oliver RÖPKE
The president of the European Economic and Social Committee