

recognised by them. In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 3, the Commission shall report annually to the Member States on the implementing arrangements, the methods used, the utilisation of appropriations, the evaluation of the results and on the way that the work should be conducted in the following year.

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1. Where reference to the procedure laid down in this Article is made, the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, shall be consulted, either at the initiative of its chairman or at the request of a representative of a Member State.

2. The Commission representative shall present to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion on the draft within a time limit which the chairman may lay down according to the urgency of the matter. Where appropriate, a vote shall be taken.

3. The opinion shall be entered in the summary record. Each Member State shall also have the right to have its individual position entered in the record.

4. The Commission shall take full account of the Committee's opinion. It shall inform the Committee of the way in which it has done so.

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By 31 July 2003 at the latest, the Commission shall present a report to Parliament and the Council on the implementation of these measures, including in it any proposals on how remote-sensing and aerial-survey techniques may continue to be used for agricultural statistics.

Article 5

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Amended proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision amending Decision No 2085/97/EC establishing a programme of support, including translation, in the field of books and reading (Ariane programme) ⁽¹⁾

(98/C 372/09)

(Text with EEA relevance)

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⁽¹⁾ OJ C 319, 16.10.1998, p. 13.

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