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Non-objection to a delegated act: support for the fruit and vegetables and wine sectors in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic

European Parliament decision to raise no objections to the Commission delegated regulation of 4 May 2020 derogating in respect of the year 2020 from Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/891 as regards the fruit and vegetables sector and from Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/1149 as regards the wine sector in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic (C(2020)02908 — 2020/2636(DEA))

(2021/C 362/36)

The European Parliament,

— having regard to the Commission delegated regulation (C(2020)02908),

— having regard to the Commission's letter of 27 May 2020 asking Parliament to declare that it will raise no objections to the delegated regulation,

— having regard to the letter from the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development to the Chair of the Conference of Committee Chairs of 2 June 2020,

— having regard to Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

— having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 352/78, (EC) No 165/94, (EC) No 2799/98, (EC) No 814/2000, (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 485/2008 ([1]), and in particular Article 62(1), Article 64(6) and Article 115(5) thereof,

— having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ([2]), and in particular Articles 37, 53 and 173 and Article 227(5) thereof,

— having regard to Rule 111(6) of its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the recommendation for a decision of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development,

A. whereas, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting extensive movement restrictions, exceptional difficulties have been encountered by all Member States and by farmers in all Member States with the planning, implementation and execution of aid schemes laid down in Articles 32 to 38 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 for the fruit and vegetables sectors and in Articles 39 to 54 thereof for the wine sector;

B. whereas the situation has resulted in financial difficulties, cash-flow problems, market disruption and serious disturbance of the functioning of the supply chain in the fruit and vegetables sector and in the wine sector;

C. whereas exceptional difficulties have also been encountered in all Member States with the planning, management and implementation of operational programmes of recognised producer organisations and associations of producer organisations in the fruit and vegetables sector and in wine-producing Member States with the planning, management and implementation of operations under support programmes in the wine sector;

D. whereas, in view of the unprecedented nature of those combined circumstances, the Commission has adopted provisions providing for flexibilities and allowing derogations from delegated regulations applicable in the fruit and vegetables sector and in the wine sector;

([1]) OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 549.
([2]) OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

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E. whereas the swift implementation of those flexibilities and derogations are essential to their effectiveness and efficacy in addressing difficulties in the running of the aid schemes for both sectors, preventing further economic losses and addressing the market situation and disturbances of the functioning of the supply chain in the fruit and vegetables sector and in the wine sector;

1. Declares that it has no objections to the delegated regulation;

2. Instructs its President to forward this decision to the Council and the Commission.