Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee on

Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Decision 2003/17/EC as regards the equivalence of field inspections carried out in Brazil on fodder plant seed-producing crops and cereal seed-producing crops and on the equivalence of fodder plant seed and cereal seed produced in Brazil, and as regards the equivalence of field inspections carried out in Moldova on cereal seed-producing crops, vegetable seed-producing crops and oil and fibre plant seed-producing crops and on the equivalence of cereal seed, vegetable seed and oil and fibre plant seed produced in Moldova

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Consultation Council of the European Union, 18.6.2018

Legal basis Article 43(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning

of the European Union

Section responsible Agriculture, Rural Development and the En-

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Plenary session No 536
Outcome of vote 166/0/4

(for/against/abstentions)

On 18 June 2018, the Council decided to submit for consultation to the European Economic and Social Committee the compromise text 9299/18 approved by the Permanent Representatives Committee at its meeting of 27 April 2018, following the amendment of the legal basis to refer to Article 43(2) TFEU.

Since the Committee had already set out its views on the contents of the original proposal in opinion EESC 2018/00043 (NAT/726), adopted on 14 February 2018 (*), it decided at its 536th plenary session, held on 11 and 12 July 2018 (meeting of 11 July), by 166 votes to none with 4 abstentions, not to draw up a new opinion on the subject, but to refer to the position it had taken in the abovementioned document.

Brussels, 11 July 2018.

The President
of the European Economic and Social Committee
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