

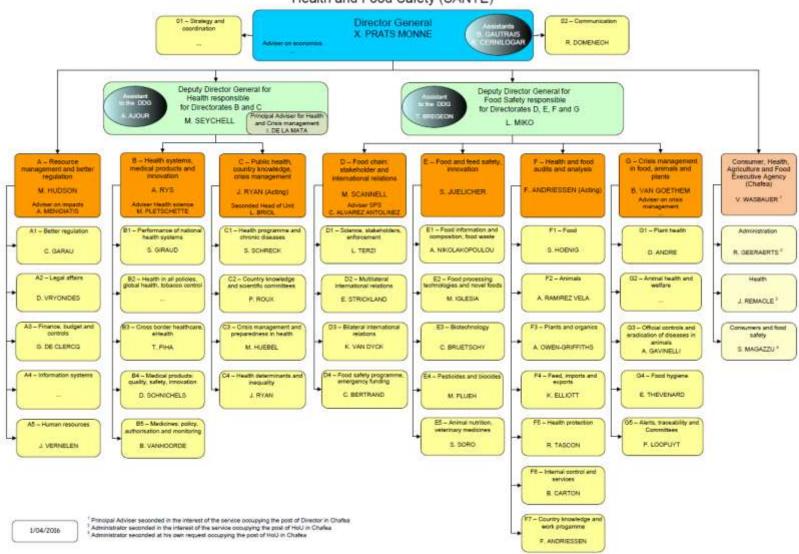
Update on the Official Controls file 29 April 2016

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Ordinary legislative procedure

European Parliament: COM ENVI Rapporteur Ms Kadenbach (S&D - AT) + Shadow rapporteurs

first reading agreement: Council, acting by a qualified majority, approves all of Parliament's amendments Commission
DG SANTE
Legal Service
Secretariat General

Council:
NL Presidency
COREPER
Attachés

Since October 2015, the co-legislators held 8 trilogue meetings

Last: 19th April 2016

Next: 27th April 2016

Health and Consumers



Work in progress

Since October 2015, when the Luxembourg Presidency received the mandate to engage in trilogue negotiations, there have been 8 political trilogues. Between trilogues, several technical drafting meetings are held to find compromise wording on any outstanding issue.

Trilogue discussions have been constructive and the EP and Council have achieved a number of initial compromise solutions. It is envisaged that a political agreement could be reached at early second reading during the Dutch Presidency.



Issues debated

control staff requirements

- > Training requirements
- > role of the official veterinarian
 - > at borders
 - > in in meat inspection

import controls

- > Plants and documentary/physical checks
- Non-compliant consignments and destruction

fees for official controls

subsidiarity - partly harmonised + rules on cost calculation

enforcement action and fraud





Issues debated

organic farming

> overlap Proposal COM(2014) 180 final + Art. 23

empowerments

- delegated acts (preferred by the EP)
- implementing acts (preferred by the Council)





Work in progress

On the politically sensitive elements of the proposal (fees, role of the veterinarian and empowerments for delegated and implementing acts) the EP and Council are showing a willingness to find a mutually agreeable solution soon.





Work in progress

The Commission is fully engaged in the discussions to facilitate the achievement of a political agreement on the proposal.

The next trilogue is planned for 24 May, where the NL presidency hopes to wrap up discussions and secure agreement.

