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New mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions

The Council adopted¹ today the regulation on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and for reporting other information at national and Union level relevant to climate change, which will replace the current monitoring mechanism established under decision 280/2004/EC² ([1/13](#), [7699/13 ADD1](#)).

The aim of the new regulation is to enhance the monitoring and reporting framework within the EU, in the light of lessons learned from implementation of the current monitoring mechanism, to take account of developments at both Union and international level. In particular, the regulation incorporates new reporting and monitoring requirements arising from the 2009 Climate and Energy Package and from recent decisions adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

The regulation will enter into force 20 days after publication in the Official Journal of the EU.

¹ The decision was taken without discussion at the Agriculture and Fisheries Council meeting. It follows an agreement with the European Parliament at first reading.
² [OJ L 49, 19.02.2004](#).

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