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OTHER ITEMS APPROVED***Temporary derogation from the Council's rules of procedure***

Owing to exceptional circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic, on 23 April 2020 the Council agreed on a temporary derogation from its rules of procedure to make it easier to take decisions by written procedure. The temporary derogation is currently in force until 16 July 2021 ([2021/825](#)). It may be renewed if justified by a continuation of the current exceptional circumstances.

The derogation allows member states' EU ambassadors sitting in the Committee of Permanent Representatives (Coreper) to decide to use the written procedure in accordance with the voting rule applicable to the adoption of the act itself. It means that the requirement for unanimity for all decisions adopted using the written procedure no longer applies. The objective is to facilitate the use of the written procedure to help ensure the continuity of Council business.

For more information on the temporary derogation, see the [press release](#).

The results of written procedures concluded between 30 June and 12 July 2021, which would otherwise have been communicated in Outcomes of Council meetings, are presented below. The results which have been communicated by means of a Council press release might have not been included.

GENERAL AFFAIRS

EU position in reaction to the UK unilateral declaration regarding imports of meat products

The Council adopted a decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in reaction to the unilateral declaration of the United Kingdom setting out the practice it intends to put in place as regards imports of meat products from Great Britain into Northern Ireland between 1 July and 30 September 2021 ([10143/21 REV 1](#) + [ADD 1](#)).
