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Meeting summary

1.1 At its meeting on 19 March 2019 the Committee noted and welcomed the Government’s confirmation that it had accepted the Committee’s recommendations and would lay the following instruments under the affirmative procedure:

i. HMT – The Customs Safety and Security Procedures (EU Exit) Regulations 2019;


Instruments recommended for the affirmative procedure

At its meeting on 19 March 2019 the Committee considered proposed negative instruments laid by the Government, none of which was recommended to be subject to the affirmative procedure.
Instruments recommended for the negative procedure

At its meeting on 19 March 2019 the Committee considered proposed negative instruments and has recommended that the appropriate procedure for the following instruments is for them to be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament (i.e. the negative procedure).

The Fisheries, Aquaculture and Marine (Functions Exercisable in or as Regards Scotland) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

The International Road Passenger Transport (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

The Merchant Shipping (Inland Waterways) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

The Network and Information Systems (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019
Formal Minutes

Tuesday 19 March 2019

Members present:

Rt Hon Sir Patrick McLoughlin, in the Chair
Rt Hon Mr Philip Dunne
Ms Angela Eagle
Rt Hon Sir David Evenett
Patrick Grady
Trudy Harrison
Julia Lopez
Ian C. Lucas
Bridget Phillipson
Mary Robinson
Jo Stevens
Liz Twist

Draft Report (Twenty-second Report), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Chair's draft Report be read a second time, paragraph by paragraph.

Paragraph 1.1 agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report be the Twenty-second Report of the Committee to the House.

Ordered, That the Chair make the Report to the House.

[Adjourned till 2 April at 3.30pm]