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Potential Witnesses List

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Regulation (EU) 2024/3115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 amending Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 as regards multiannual survey programmes, notifications concerning the presence of regulated non-quarantine pests, temporary derogations from import prohibitions and special import requirements and establishment of procedures for granting them, temporary import requirements for high-risk plants, plant products and other objects, the establishment of procedures for the listing of high-risk plants, the content of phytosanitary certificates and the use of plant passports, and as regards certain reporting requirements for demarcated areas and surveys of pests and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 as regards certain notifications of non-compliance

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Introduction

This Briefing Note has been prepared in response to a request from the Clerk to the Windsor Framework Democratic Scrutiny Committee (the DSC) for RaISe to provide details of representatives of businesses and civil society who RaISe has identified as being affected (or who would be affected if the Regulation enters into force) by [Regulation \(EU\) 2024/3115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 amending Regulation \(EU\) 2016/2031 as regards multiannual survey programmes, notifications concerning the presence of regulated non-quarantine pests, temporary derogations from import prohibitions and special import requirements and establishment of procedures for granting them, temporary import requirements for high-risk plants, plant products and other objects, the establishment of procedures for the listing of high-risk plants, the content of phytosanitary certificates and the use of plant passports, and as regards certain reporting requirements for demarcated areas and surveys of pests and amending Regulation \(EU\) 2017/625 as regards certain notifications of non-compliance.](#)

In line with agreed arrangements relating to the operation of the DSC, the list provided below is not to inform DSC deliberations and decision-making on whether or not to undertake (or continue an existing) inquiry relating to Regulation (EU) 2024/3115. Instead, the list is intended for the DSC's consideration if it first decides to undertake such an inquiry.

In order to respond to the request for a 'short, focused list', RaISe has prioritised representative bodies which reflect the types of organisations which have engaged with the European Commission's consultation exercises on the related proposal [[COM\(2023\) 661 final](#)].

If relying on the list, the DSC should note that it is not intended to be exhaustive; nor is it intended to communicate anything about the significance of the impact of Regulation (EU) 2024/3115

List of bodies and organisations

The list below contains the names of representative bodies and organisations which have been identified by RalSe in response to the request set out above:

Organisation	Type	Policy Area
Agricultural Industries Confederation	Industry Association	Agriculture
British Growers Association	Industry Association	Agriculture
CropLifeUK	Industry Association	Agriculture
Friends of the Earth (NI)	NGO	Environment
Horticulture Forum NI	NGO	Agriculture
NI Grain Trade Association	Industry Association	Agriculture
Northern Ireland Agricultural Producers Association (NIAPA)	NGO	Agriculture
Northern Ireland Environment Link	NGO	Environment
Sustainable Food Trust	NGO	Environment
The Woodland Trust	NGO	Environment
Sustainable NI	NGO	Environment
Ulster Farmers Union (UFU)	NGO	Agriculture
Ulster Wildlife Trust	NGO	Environment

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