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Committee set up on foodstuffs

The Commission has submitted to the Council a draft decision instituting a Committee on foodstuffs.

The Council directives already adopted concerning food legislation provide for close co-operation between the Commission and the Member States in order to facilitate their implementation. The most practical arrangement for such co-operation would seem to be a Committee on Foodstuffs along the lines of the Management Committee.

Two other proposals for the institution of standing committees have previously been submitted by the Commission and are at present before the Council. These are the draft decision setting up a standing committee on agricultural, horticultural and forestry seeds and seedlings, and the draft directive instituting a veterinary committee, which forms part of the proposals submitted to the Council on health requirements for imports of cattle, pigs and fresh meat from non-member countries.