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(a) any of the following documents laid before the House of Commons in accordance with paragraph 17(3)(b) of Schedule 7 to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018—

- (i) a draft of an instrument; and
- (ii) a memorandum setting out both a statement made by a Minister of the Crown to the effect that in the Minister's opinion the instrument should be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament (the negative procedure) and the reasons for that opinion, and

(aa) any of the following documents laid before the House of Commons in accordance with paragraph 6(3)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 —

- (i) a draft of an instrument; and
- (ii) a memorandum setting out both a statement made by a Minister of the Crown to the effect that in the Minister's opinion the instrument should be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament (the negative procedure) and the reasons for that opinion, and

(b) any matter arising from its consideration of such documents.

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Instruments recommended for the affirmative procedure

At its meeting on 19 March 2024 the Committee considered proposed negative instruments laid by the Government, none of which were recommended to be subject to the affirmative procedure.

Instruments recommended for the negative procedure

At its meeting on 19 March 2024 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).

Draft Pressure Equipment (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

Draft Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) (Revocation) Regulations 2024

Formal Minutes

Tuesday 19 March 2024

Members present

Andrew Jones, in the Chair

Kirsty Blackman

Mrs Flick Drummond

Sir David Evennett

James Grundy

Mary Robinson

Liz Twist

Report consideration

Draft Report (*Second Report*), proposed by the Chair, brought up and read.

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

Resolved, That the Report be the Second Report of the Committee to the House.

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

Adjournment

Adjourned to a day and time to be fixed by the Chair.