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(a) any of the following documents laid before the House of Commons in accordance with paragraph 3(3)(b) or 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

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Instruments recommended for the affirmative procedure

At its meeting on 2 March 2021 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 2 March 2021 the Committee considered a proposed negative instrument and has recommended that the appropriate procedure for the following instrument is for it to be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament (i.e. the negative procedure).

The Patents (European Patent with Unitary Effect and Unified Patent Court) (Repeal and Revocation) Regulations 2021

Formal Minutes

Tuesday 2 March 2021

Members present:

Andrew Jones, in the Chair

Kirsty Blackman	Charlotte Nichols
Mrs Flick Drummond	Mary Robinson
Philip Dunne	Owen Thompson
Sir David Evennett	Liz Twist
James Grundy	Craig Williams

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be the Twentieth Report of the Committee to the House.

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

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