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#### 'I' ITEM NOTE

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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject:	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Council of Members of the International Olive Council (IOC) as regards trade standards applying to olive oils and olive pomace oils

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1. On 19 May 2020, the Commission submitted to the Council the proposal for a Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Council of Members of the International Olive Council (IOC) as regards trade standards applying to olive oils and olive pomace oils<sup>1</sup>.
2. Following a written consultation, the Working Party on Commodities agreed on 5 June 2020<sup>2</sup> on a revised version of the proposed Council decision, with modifications suggested by the Presidency in line with explanations from the Council Legal Service.

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<sup>1</sup> 8149/20 + ADD 1 + ADD 2.

<sup>2</sup> The French delegation entered a parliamentary scrutiny reservation which is expected to be lifted by the date of the adoption of the decision by the Council.

3. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited:
- to confirm its agreement on the text of the Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Council of Members of the International Olive Council (IOC) as regards trade standards applying to olive oils and olive pomace oils, as finalised by lawyer-linguists and set out in documents 8362/20 and 8477/20, and
  - to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure<sup>3</sup> and Article 1 of Council Decision 2020/430<sup>4</sup>, that the Council uses the written procedure for the adoption of the decision.
4. The European Parliament will be informed of the Council Decision, in accordance with Article 218(10) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
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<sup>3</sup> Council Decision 2009/937/EU of 1 December 2009 adopting the Council's Rules of Procedure (OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35).

<sup>4</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/430 of 23 March 2020 on a temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 88I , 24.3.2020, p. 1). The derogation was extended by Council Decision (EU) 2020/702 of 20 May 2020 further extending the temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure introduced by Decision (EU) 2020/430 and extended by Decision (EU) 2020/556 in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 165, 27.5.2020, p. 38).