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THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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from: General Secretariat  
to: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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No. Cion prop.: 16089/12 TDC 17 + REV 1(en)

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Subject: Adoption of a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1344/2011  
suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain  
agricultural, fishery and industrial products  
**COMMON GUIDELINES**  
**Consultation deadline: 14.12.2012**

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1. By letter dated 13 November 2012, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, based on Article 31 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
2. On 19 November 2012, the Working Party on Customs Union examined the proposal and agreed on an amended text <sup>1 2</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> 16616/12/12 TDC 18 UD 297

<sup>2</sup> At this stage, the FR delegation maintains a parliamentary scrutiny reservation. It is understood that this reservation will be lifted before adoption of the draft Regulation by the Council.

3. The Permanent Representatives Committee could:

- confirm the agreement reached within the Working Party and
- invite the Council to adopt the draft Regulation as set out in doc. 16582/12 TDC 21 UD 300 OC 666 (text revised by legal/linguistic experts) as an "A" item, without discussion, on the agenda of one of its forthcoming meetings.

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