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# **SUMMARY RECORD**

**Subject:** 1447th meeting of the Special Committee on Agriculture (SCA)

held in Brussels on 10 December 2012

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## 1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

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The agenda was approved.

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# 2. Summary record of the 1446<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SCA

The SCA approved the summary record.

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## 3. CAP reform

- (i) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy
  - Greening

15874/4/12 REV 4 AGRI 731 AGRIFIN 208 CODEC 2596

Orientation debate

The <u>SCA</u> considered a further set of Presidency suggested amendments to the greening provisions as set out in doc. 15874/4/12 REV 4 + COR 1.

The <u>SCA</u> noted the Presidency's explanations on the suggested amendments, the views expressed by <u>delegations</u> and by the <u>Commission representative</u>, as well as the scrutiny reserves entered by a <u>number of delegations</u>.

Thereafter, the SCA took note of the Presidency's concluding remarks, in particular that:

- the revised text was generally considered to be a step in the right direction, although a <u>number of delegations</u> considered certain suggested amendments to be a step backwards, particularly the deletion of certain provisions;
- the <u>Presidency</u> would carefully assess the comments made with a view to preparing a further revised text for discussion in the <u>Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural</u>

  Questions on 12 December 2012.

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# Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural **Development (EAFRD)**

Investments

17411/12 AGRI 848 AGRISTR 177 CODEC 2952

Orientation debate

The SCA took note of the delegations' comments and the Commission's reply.

#### 4. **Presidency Progress Report - CAP reform**

17187/12 AGRI 830 AGRIORG 198 AGRIFIN 237 AGRISTR 173 CODEC 2904

(i) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy

17383/12 AGRI 847 AGRIFIN 245 CODEC 2947

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common organisation of the market in agricultural products (the **Single CMO regulation**)

17370/12 AGRI 845 AGRIFIN 244 AGRIORG 204 CODEC 2943

(iii) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural **Development (EAFRD)** 

17352/12 AGRI 841 AGRISTR 174 CODEC 2938

(iv) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy (the horizontal regulation)

17354/12 AGRI 842 AGRIORG 202 AGRIFIN 242 AGRISTR 175 CODEC 2939

Presentation

The SCA took note of the Presidency Progress Report together with the draft Regulations on each of the four files. The SCA further took note of the views expressed by <u>delegations</u> and by the <u>Commission representative</u>, as well as the scrutiny reserves entered by a number of delegations.

The SCA also took note of the Presidency's intention to present the Presidency Progress Report, as slightly adjusted to take account of the outcome of the discussion, to the Council ("Agriculture and Fisheries") at its session on 18-20 December 2012.

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Finally, the <u>SCA</u> took note of the Presidency's intention to convene a meeting of the <u>Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural Questions</u> for 12 December 2012, with a view to further discussing certain aspects of the draft Direct Payments Regulation.

# 5. <u>Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products</u>

- Oral debriefing on the third trilogue

The <u>SCA</u> took note of the information given by the Presidency on the outcome of the third informal trilogue that took place on 4 December 2012 and that negotiations would continue under the Irish Presidency.

# 6. Farm Accountancy Data Network

- Oral debriefing on the first trilogue

The <u>SCA</u> took note of the Presidency's debriefing on the 1st informal trilogue.

# 7. Working methods of the SCA: review at the end of the Trio Presidency's term 17363/12 AGRI 844

The <u>SCA</u> took note of the review on working methods for the Special Committee on Agriculture, as presented in doc. 17363/12.

## 8. Any other business

<u>Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy (CAP Reform)</u>

- Polish paper on SAPS implementation in a new direct payments system

The <u>SCA</u> took note of the paper presented by the <u>Polish delegation</u>, as well as of the comments made by a <u>number of delegations</u> and by the <u>Commission representative</u>.

### 9. Organisation of future work

<u>The Presidency</u> informed the <u>SCA</u> on the preparation of the Council "Agriculture and Fisheries" meeting on 18-20 December 2012.

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