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Subject: Working Party on International Environment Issues
Date: Thursday, 31 January 2013 (**09h00 - morning only**)
Venue: COUNCIL
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1. Proposal for a Council Decision establishing the position to be adopted on the European Union's behalf with regard to certain proposals submitted to the 16th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 16) to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) (Bangkok, 3- 14 March 2013)
= *examination of Commission proposal*
2. Further discussion on, and finalisation of, selected draft speaking notes and lines-to-take for COP 16
= *report from informal sub-groups and further exchange of views*
3. Update on latest developments for COP 16 preparations, including outreach with third countries
4. Any other business

(Document for agenda item 1 will be circulated as soon as it becomes available. Documents for agenda item 2 will follow.)