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Subject:	Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and Canada on customs cooperation with respect to matters related to supply chain security
	- Request by the Council for the consent of the European Parliament

1. On 29 March 2012, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, which aims at establishing a legal basis for EU-Canada customs cooperation on matters of supply chain security and risk management, including reinforcing the customs related aspects for securing the logistics chain of international trade. The proposal is based on Art. 207(4) first subparagraph in conjunction with Art. 218(6)(a) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).
2. At its meeting on 7 June 2012, the Working Party on Customs Union reached an agreement on an amended text of this proposal. ¹

¹ As laid down in doc. 11126/12 UD 153 CDN 7 OC 309

3. On 29 September 2012, the Council adopted its Decision¹ on the signing of the above Agreement.
 4. The Agreement was signed on 4 March 2013.
 5. Under these circumstances and in accordance with Article 218(6) of the TFEU, the Council should decide on the transmission of the draft decision to the European Parliament in order to obtain its consent.
 6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to suggest to the Council to decide, in part "A" of the agenda of a forthcoming meeting, to forward the draft decision and the draft agreement as contained in documents 11362/12 UD 169 CDN 10 OC 345 and 11587/12 UD 173 CDN 12 OC 344 (texts finalised by the legal/linguistic experts) to the European Parliament for its consent.
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¹ As laid down in docs. 11188/12 UD 156 CDN 8 and 11587/12 UD 173 CDN 12 OC 344