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from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: Permanent Representatives Committee

Subject: Special report No 25/2012: Are tools in place to monitor the effectiveness of the European Social Fund spending on older workers?
- Designation of Working Party

1. On 7 March 2013, the General Secretariat of the Council received the European Court of Auditors' special report No 25/2012 entitled "Are tools in place to monitor the effectiveness of the European Social Fund spending on older workers?" together with the Commission's replies¹.
2. Under the rules laid down in the Council conclusions on improving the examination of special reports drawn up by the Court of Auditors², it is suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee instruct the Working Party on Social Questions to examine that report in accordance with those rules.

¹ This special report is available on the Court's website: <http://eca.europa.eu/>.

² 7515/00 FIN 127 + COR 1.