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**ANNEX**

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1. On 20 July 2012, the Commission submitted to the Council the above mentioned Recommendation.
2. The Trade Policy Committee (Full Members) had discussed the draft recommendation at its meetings on 21 September, 5 October 2012, 9 November and 27 November and the Trade Policy Committee (Deputies) at its meetings on 20 July, 14 September, 26 and 31 October 2012, and 16 and 23 November.
3. The Permanent Representatives Committee discussed the draft recommendation at its meetings on 15 and 28 November, in particular on the basis of a Presidency compromise proposal for the draft negotiating directives (doc. 15864/12 ADD 1).

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6. The Council will be called upon to reach an agreement on the outstanding issues in the draft negotiating directives, on the basis of the revised draft text circulated in doc. 15864/12 ADD1 REV 1.

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