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| from:              | General Secretariat   |
| to                 | Permanent Representatives Committee/Council   |
| No. Cion prop.:    | 16090/1/12 REV 1 UD 274 AELE 79   |
| No. previous doc.: | 5582/13 UD 12 AELE 8  |
| Subject:           | Adoption of a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the EU-EFTA Joint Committee concerning the adoption of a Decision amending the Convention of 20 May 1987 on a common transit procedure (Modification of HS codes and packaging codes) |

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1. On 26 October 2012, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, which aims at adopting the position to be taken, in the EU-EFTA Joint Committee, on replacing the list in Annex 2 of Appendix III to the Convention on a common transit procedure The proposal is based on Art. 207(4) first subparagraph in conjunction with Art. 218(9) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
2. At its meeting on 18 July 2013, the Working Party on Customs Union reached agreement on an amended text of this proposal. <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> As laid down in doc. 5582/13 UD 12 AELE 8

3. Since agreement on the text has been reached, the Permanent Representatives Committee could:

- confirm the agreement reached within the Working Party; and
  - invite the Council to adopt the draft Decision, as set out in doc. 13453/13 UD 225 AELE 56 (text revised by the legal-linguistic experts), as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.
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