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To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
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Subject:	Proposal for Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) = Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions <sup>1</sup>

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1. In the above-mentioned proposal, the Commission proposes that the Committee of the Regions be consulted on an optional basis.
2. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to decide, in accordance with Article 307 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure<sup>2</sup>, to consult the Committee of the Regions on the above Proposal and to request it to give its opinion as soon as possible.

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<sup>1</sup> The sole purpose of this note is to decide on the consultation of another institution/body and not on the substance.

<sup>2</sup> Council Decision 2009/937/EU of 1 December 2009 adopting the Council's Rules of Procedure, OJ L 325, 11/12/2009, p. 35 - 61.