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Subject: Proposal for a Council Regulation determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds related to the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products (*CAP Reform*)
- *Approval of draft Regulation*

1. On 17 October 2011, the Commission submitted the above proposal, based on Article 43(3) TFEU, to the Council as a part of the CAP reform package¹.
2. The Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural Questions examined the proposal on 10 November 2011 and 25 July 2012.
3. The Special Committee on Agriculture examined the proposal at its meetings on 17 September, 8 October, 5 and 19 November 2012. On this occasion the SCA agreed to come back to this Regulation in the light of future discussions on the other CAP reform proposals². A political agreement on these other CAP reform proposals was achieved on 26 June and 24 September 2013.

¹ see PE-CONS 93/13, PE-CONS 94/13, PE-CONS 95/13 and PE-CONS 96/13

² See CRS doc. 16479/12.

4. Further to the conclusion of this negotiation, the SCA returned to the file at its meetings on 7 and 14 October 2013, when it approved a Presidency revised text as amended in these meetings and subject to legal linguistic finalisation. DE and UK indicated their intention to vote against, while GR and CY reserved their positions¹.

 5. In light of the above, the Special Committee on Agriculture is invited to approve the draft Regulation as set out in document 15173/13².
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¹ See CRS doc. 14873/13.

² To be distributed after legal linguistic revision.