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from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject: Special report No 4/2012: Using Structural and Cohesion Funds to co-finance transport infrastructures in seaports: an effective investment?

1. On 27 April 2012, the General Secretariat of the Council received Special report No 4/2012 "Using Structural and Cohesion Funds to co-finance transport infrastructures in seaports: an effective investment?" together with the Commission's replies (doc. 9431/12 FIN 313 FSTR 37 FC 24 REGIO 52 MAR 50¹).
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 Structural Measures to examine that report in accordance with those rules.

¹ In English only. The other languages of this special report are available on the European Court of Auditor's website: <http://eca.europa.eu/>.

² 7515/00 FIN 127 + COR 1.