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"I/A" ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat
to: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion prop.: 8373/12 UD 97 CDN 2
No. previous doc.: 11188/12 UD 156 CDN 8 OC 309

Subject: Adoption of a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement between the European Union and Canada on customs cooperation with respect to matters related to supply chain security
COMMON GUIDELINES
Consultation deadline for Croatia: 17.9.2012

1. On 29 March 2012, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, which aims at establishing a legal basis for EU-Canada customs cooperation on matters of supply chain security and risk management, including reinforcing the customs related aspects for securing the logistics chain of international trade. The proposal is based on Art. 207(4) first subparagraph in conjunction with Art. 218(5) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
2. At its meeting on 7 June 2012, the Working Party on Customs Union (Customs Legislation and Policy) reached agreement on an amended text of this proposal. ¹

¹ As laid down in doc. 11188/12 UD 156 CDN 8 OC 309 and 11587/12 UD 173 CDN 12 OC 344

3. The Permanent Representatives Committee could therefore:

- confirm the agreement reached within the Working Party; and
 - invite the Council to adopt the Council Decision as set out in document 11188/12 UD 156 CDN 8 OC 309 and 11587/12 UD 173 CDN 12 OC 344 (texts revised by the legal-linguistic experts) as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.
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