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1. On 20 November 2012, the Special Committee on Agriculture discussed a recommendation from the Presidency on the nomination of representatives from Member States to the Steering Board referred to in Council Conclusions on the European Innovation Partnership "Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability".
2. Following that discussion, the Council is invited to adopt the attached Conclusions, endorsing the agreement reached at the SCA.

## **COUNCIL CONCLUSIONS**

### **on the European Innovation Partnership “Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability”**

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- RECALLING the Council Conclusions of 18 June 2012 on the European Innovation Partnership “Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability” (EIP)<sup>1</sup>
- HAVING REGARD TO the request from the Members of the Commission responsible for Agriculture and Research for the Council to nominate to the Steering Board three Ministers with expertise in agricultural research and innovation to feed into the guidance of the EIP, noting that the role of the representative cannot be further delegated;
- CONFIRMS the nomination of:

Ms Mette GJERSKOV, Minister for Food, Agriculture and Fisheries of Denmark;

Mr Athanasios TSAFTARIS, Minister for Rural Development and Food of Greece; and,

Mr. Daniel CONSTANTIN, Minister for Agriculture and Rural Development of Romania,

for the purpose of participating in their own capacity on the Steering Board as representatives from the Member States, according to point 11 of the said Council conclusions;

- LOOKS FORWARD to regular updates from the Commission on the work of the Steering Board.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ C 193, 30 June 2012, p. 1.