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## "I/A" ITEM NOTE

from:	General Secretariat of the Council
to:	Coreper/Council
No. Cion prop.:	7886/12 WTO 113 AGRI 163 UD 85 CODEC 728
Subject:	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the implementation of the Agreements concluded by the EU following negotiations in the framework of Article XXVIII of GATT 1994, amending and supplementing Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act (LA) COMMON GUIDELINES
	Consultation deadline: 30.11.2012

- 1. On 16 March 2012 <u>the Commission</u> sent the Council the above proposal<sup>1</sup>, which is based on Article 207(2) of the TFEU.
- 2. On 26 October 2012, the Trade Policy Committee agreed to the Commission proposal.
- 3. On 19 November 2012, the Permanent Representatives Committee confirmed the position of the Trade Policy Committee. The Parliament was informed thereof by letter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 7886/12.

- 4. <u>The European Parliament</u> adopted its first-reading opinion<sup>1</sup> on 21 November 2012, when it approved the Commission proposal without proposing any amendment.
- 5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to suggest that the Council approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 61/12, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.

If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the President of the European Parliament and the President of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 16305/12.