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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Adoption of a Council Decision on the position to be taken, on behalf of the European Union, within the Joint Committee established by the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin as regards the request of Georgia to become a Contracting Party to that Convention

1. On 24 May 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, based on Article 207(4), 1st subparagraph, in conjunction with Article 218(9), of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and which aims at allowing the accession of Georgia to the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin.
2. At its meeting on 9 June 2016, the Working Party on Customs Union agreed on the text of the proposal, as laid down in doc. 9573/16 UD 113 + ADD 1.
3. Against this background, the Permanent Representatives Committee could:
 - confirm the agreement reached within the Working Party and
 - invite the Council to adopt the draft Regulation as set out in doc. 9573/16 UD 113 + ADD 1 as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.