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From:	Presidency
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
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Subject:	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION authorising France to apply a reduced rate of certain indirect taxes on 'traditional' rum produced in Guadeloupe, French Guiana, Martinique and Réunion and amending Decision 2007/659/EC

1. The Commission submitted the above-mentioned proposal to the Council on 25 November 2013.
2. On 29 January 2013, the Working Party on Outermost Regions examined the proposal. Following an informal silence procedure, on 5 February 2013, an agreement was reached on a Presidency compromise text.
3. On 16 January 2014, the European Parliament adopted its opinion on the proposal without suggesting any amendments.

4. It is therefore suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee invites the Council to:
- adopt as an "A" item the above-mentioned proposal, as finalised by the Lawyer Linguists and as set out in document 6240/14.
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