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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council

Subject: European Court of Auditors' special report n° 31: 'Spending at least one euro in every five from the EU budget on climate action: ambitious work underway, but serious risk of falling short'
- Draft Council conclusions

1. On 26 October 2016, Members of the Court of Auditors adopted the special n° 31: 'Spending at least one euro in every five from the EU budget on climate action: ambitious work underway, but serious risk of falling short'¹. On 22 November 2016, the European Court of Auditors' published that report.
2. On 25 January 2017, under the rules laid down in the Council conclusions on improving the examination of special reports drawn up by the Court of Auditors², the Permanent Representatives Committee instructed the Working Party of Financial Counsellors to examine the report³.
3. On 14 February 2017, a representatives of the Court of Auditors presented the special report n° 31 to the Financial Counsellors. At its meeting on 27 February 2017, the Financial Counsellors examined a draft set of Council conclusions on the above report⁴.

¹ <http://www.eca.europa.eu/en/Pages/DocItem.aspx?did=39853>

² 7515/00 FIN 127 + COR 1.

³ 5411/17

⁴ WK 1775/2017

4. With additional amendments⁵, those conclusions were approved within a "silence procedure" that ended on 8 March 2017.
5. Under those circumstances, the Permanent Representatives Committee is asked to invite the Council to adopt the draft Council conclusions as set out in 6993/2017 ECOFIN 177 ENV 227 CLIMA 56.

⁵ WK 2479/2017