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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Draft Council Conclusions on the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests and with a view to the participation of the European Union and its Member States in the Twelfth Session of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF 12)
- *Adoption*

1. The United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) will hold its twelfth session from 1 to 5 May 2017 at the UN headquarters in New York.
2. With a view to the participation of the EU and its Member States in UNFF-12, the Presidency prepared draft Council conclusions, which were discussed several times by the Working Party on Forestry. At its meeting on 27-28 March 2017, the Working Party finalised the draft Council conclusions. The text reflecting the consensus reached by the Working Party is set out in the ADD1 to this note.
3. In view of the above, it is suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1) endorse the consensus reached by the Working Party and recommend that the Council adopt, at its forthcoming session on 25 April, as an "A" Item, the conclusions set out in the ADD1 to this note.