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

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Subject: European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 2/2017 "The Commission's negotiation of 2014 - 2020 Partnership Agreements and programmes in Cohesion: spending more targeted on Europe 2020 priorities, but increasingly complex arrangements to measure performance"  
– *Designation of Working Party*

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1. On 5 April 2017, the European Court of Auditors' published Special Report No 2/2017 entitled "The Commission's negotiation of 2014-2020 Partnership Agreements and programmes in Cohesion: spending more targeted on Europe 2020 priorities, but increasingly complex arrangements to measure performance"<sup>1</sup>.
2. Under the rules laid down in the Council conclusions on improving the examination of special reports drawn up by the Court of Auditors<sup>2</sup>, it is suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee instruct the Working Party on Structural Measures to examine the report in accordance with those rules.

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<sup>1</sup> This special report is available in all official languages on the Court's website:  
<http://eca.europa.eu>.

<sup>2</sup> Doc. 7515/00 FIN 127 + COR 1.