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Subject: Working Party on Plant Health (Roosendaal Group)

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Date: 17 November 2017

Time: 15.00

Venue: COUNCIL  
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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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**1. Report on issues of interest for the Roosendaal Group from:**

- a) **the Committee of the World Trade Organization (WTO) on Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures: meeting of 2-3 November 2017, Geneva, Switzerland**
- *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*

**2. Operational themes: Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and bilateral negotiations:**

- a) **United States of America (USA): EU-USA Plant Health Technical Working Group (PHTWG) meeting of 4 and 5 October 2017, Riverdale, USA**
- *Information by the Commission, update by delegations and exchange of views*

- b) **Mercosur: FTA negotiations rounds of 3-5 October 2017 and 7-8 November 2017, Brasilia, Brazil**
  - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
- c) **Chile: Mitigation measures to export fresh apples (*Malus domestica*)**
  - *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
- d) **China: Meetings with Chinese authorities on 10 October 2017, Beijing, China and mission to China**
  - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
- e) **Canada: Plant health market access issues within the framework of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)**
  - *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
- f) **Mexico: Negotiations of 18 October 2017 on the modernisation of the SPS chapter of the FTA**
  - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
- g) **India: SPS market access developments**
  - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
- h) **Brazil: SPS matters related to exports of products of plant origin**
  - *Update by the Commission and exchange of views*
- i) **New Eurasian Economic Union (Russia, Belorussia, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Armenia) import requirements and additional requirements from the Russian Federation**
  - *Update by the Commission and delegations and exchange of views*

### 3. Strategic themes

- a) **EU Market Access Strategy:**
  - **Overview of the discussions related to phytosanitary issues in the Market Access Working Group**
  - **Answers to the questionnaire of the Presidency on the Roosendaal Group's practical working arrangements**
    - *Information by the Commission and the Presidency and exchange of views*

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