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From: General Secretariat of the Council

To: Special Committee on Agriculture/Council

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Subject: a) COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No .../. of 11.3.2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to paying agencies and other bodies, financial management, clearance of accounts, securities and use of euro

b) COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No .../. of 11.3.2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to public intervention expenditure

c) COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No .../. of 11.3.2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the integrated administration and control system and conditions for refusal or withdrawal of payments and administrative penalties applicable to direct payments, rural development support and cross compliance

d) COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No .../. of 11.3.2014 supplementing Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the basis of calculation for reductions to be applied to farmers by Member States due to the linear reduction of payments in 2014 and financial discipline for calendar year 2014

- Intention not to raise objections to a delegated act

1. The Commission submitted the above delegated acts to the Council in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 290 TFEU and with Article 115(5) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 352/78, (EC) No 165/94, (EC) No 2799/98, (EC) No 814/2000, (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 485/2008¹ and Article 70(5) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy². The Commission having notified the delegated acts to the European Parliament and the Council on 11 and 12 March 2014, the Council may object to any of them until 11 May 2014.
2. The Special Committee on Agriculture (SCA) at its meeting on 2 April 2014 examined the delegated acts and noted the parliamentary scrutiny reserves entered by Denmark and the Netherlands as well as the scrutiny reserve entered by Austria on all of the CAP Reform delegated acts³ and of the intention of those delegations to lift their reserves as soon as possible. In this light the SCA noted the absence of a qualified majority in Council to object to the delegated acts.
3. It is therefore suggested that the SCA recommend to Council that it confirms that it has no intention to object to the four delegated acts and that the Commission and the European Parliament be informed thereof. This implies that, unless the European Parliament objects, the delegated acts shall enter into force in accordance with Article 115(5) of Regulation EU (No) 1306/2013 and Article 70(5) of Regulation EU (No) 1307/2013.

¹ OJ L 347/549 of 20.12.2013, p. 549.

² OJ L 347/608 of 20.12.2013, p. 608.

³ docs. 7637/14 + ADD 1, 7642/14, 7641/14 + ADD 1, 7640/14 + ADD 1, 7646/14 + ADD 1, 7656/14, 7636/14, 7658/14, 7654/14, 7648/14 + ADD 1, 7657/14.