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SUMMARY RECORD

Subject: **1470th meeting of the Special Committee on Agriculture (SCA)
held in Brussels on 11 November 2013**

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1. **Adoption of the provisional agenda**

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The agenda was approved.

I

2. **Summary record of the 1469th meeting of the SCA**

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The SCA approved the summary record.

II

3. **Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing the production levies in the sugar sector for the marketing years 2001/2002, 2002/2003, 2003/2004, 2004/2005, 2005/2006, the coefficient required for calculating the additional levy for the marketing years 2001/2002 and 2004/2005 and the amounts to be paid by sugar manufacturers to beet sellers in respect of the difference between the maximum amount of the levies and the amount of these levies to be charged for the marketing years 2002/2003, 2003/2004 and 2005/2006**

- Approval of draft Regulation
15475/13 AGRI 705 AGRIORG 157 AGRIFIN 177

The SCA took note of the broad support for the Presidency draft Regulation set out in doc. 15475/13, as amended on Article 2 in the meeting. The SCA further took note of the comments made by delegations, of the intervention by the Council Legal Service and the reactions of the Commission. The SCA also took note of the intention of the Commission Services to submit a statement to Council on national decisions on the collection of the sugar levy.

With a view to checking delegations' voting intentions, the SCA took note of the Presidency's intention to set a silent deadline, later confirmed for Thursday 14 November midday, by which the SCA would be considered to have approved the draft Regulation (doc. 15475/1/13 REV 1), unless the Council Secretariat had been notified otherwise, and which would therefore be submitted for adoption to Council as an "A" item at a forthcoming session.

4. **Proposal for a Council Regulation determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds related to the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products**

- Approval of draft Regulation
13949/1/13 REV 1 AGRI 593 AGRIORG 113

The SCA took note of the continued reserves of some delegations on the draft Regulation set out in doc. 13949/1/13 REV 1.

The SCA further took note of the two statements submitted by the Commission to Council on the reallocation of sugar quotas and the revision of the school fruit and school milk schemes set out in Annex.

Finally the SCA took note of the silent deadline set by the Presidency for Thursday 14 November midday, by which the SCA would be considered to have approved the draft Regulation (doc. 13949/1/13 REV 1), unless the Council Secretariat had been notified otherwise, and which would therefore be submitted for adoption to the Council ("Agriculture and Fisheries") at its session on 16-17 December 2013.

5. Any other business

- a) **Preparation of the 9th Ministerial Conference of the WTO in Bali**
– Information from the Commission

The SCA took note of the oral information on the state of play on preparation for the 9th Ministerial Conference of the WTO on 2 December 2013 in Bali provided by the Commission.

The SCA also took note of comments made by delegations.

- b) **Preparation of delegated acts foreseen under the CAP reform package**
– Request from Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Ireland, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden

The SCA took note of the above request concerning the preparation of delegated acts foreseen under the CAP reform package, submitted by BE, BG, CZ, DK, EE, IE, ES, FR, HR, IT, CY, LV, LU, HU, MT, AT, PL, PT, RO, SI, SK, FI and SE (doc. 15835/13) and supported by NL, as well as of the comments made by other delegations (DE, UK), who supported the principle that delegated acts should fully respect the basic act.

The SCA took also note of the reaction of the Commission representative.

6. Organisation of future work

The Presidency informed the SCA that the next meeting on 25 November 2013 might eventually be cancelled.

**Proposal for a Council Regulation determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds
related to the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products**

Commission statements

The Commission considers that since the re-allocation of sugar quotas falls under (Article 101j of) the sCMO Regulation, the adjustment of these quotas should do so as well.

The Commission confirms that, in the context of the revision of the school fruit and school milk schemes, it intends to review the aid for the distribution of milk as well as the co-financing of the school fruit scheme costs, including in the smaller Aegean islands.
