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Subject: Working Party on Customs Union

Date: 23 September 2014
Time: 10.00
Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Information by the Presidency
3. Special Report 2/2014 of the European Court of Auditors entitled "Are preferential trade arrangements appropriately managed?"
 - Presentation by the Court
doc. 12886/14 FIN 598 UD 200 SPG 5

The Working Party will hear a presentation by the Court of the above Special Report and will take note of comments by delegations. On that basis, the Presidency will prepare draft Council conclusions that will be submitted to the Working Party for approval at one of its forthcoming meetings.

4. World Customs Organization, 2nd meeting of the Working Group on the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement, 29-30 September 2014
 - Coordination
 - doc. (to be issued)

The Working Party will establish the coordinated position in view of the above meeting, on the basis of a draft to be prepared by the Commission services.

5. EU-Switzerland:
 - 58th session of the EU-Switzerland Customs Cooperation Committee, 9-10 October, Vacallo (Switzerland)
 - 6th session of the EU-Switzerland Customs Security Joint Committee, 9-10 October, Vacallo (Switzerland)
 - Coordination
 - docs (to be issued)

The Working Party will establish the coordinated position in view of the above meeting, on the basis of drafts to be prepared by the Commission services.

6. **Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee on the EU Strategy and Action Plan for customs risk management: Tackling risks, strengthening supply chain security and facilitating trade**
 - **Presentation by the Commission services**
 - doc. 12644/14 UD 196 ENFOCUSTOMS 90 + ADD 1**

The Working Party will hear a presentation of the above Communication by the Commission services and will take note of delegations' comments.

7. TIR Convention - State of play on the situation in Russia
 - Information by the Commission services

The Working Party will be debriefed by the Commission services about the state of play on the TIR Convention with regards to Russia.

8. Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, Sixth session, 13–18 October 2014, Moscow
 - Coordination
 - doc. (to be issued)

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9. Any other business

NB: Council documents are available on Extranet. A limited stock of documents produced immediately prior to the meeting will be available in the meeting room. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.

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