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from: Working Party on the Staff Regulations
to: COREPER (Part 1)/Council

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Subject: Proposal for a Council Regulation adjusting, from 1 July 2012, the rate of contribution to the pension scheme of officials and other servants of the European Union
- Adoption

1. On 5 December 2012 the Commission transmitted to the Council the proposal for a Council Regulation adjusting, from 1 July 2012, the rate of contribution to the pension scheme of officials and other servants of the European Union.
2. The proposal was examined at the meeting of the Working Party on the Staff Regulations on 11 February 2013. At that time there was not the necessary qualified majority to adopt the proposal.
3. By letter received by the Council on 30 August 2013¹, the Commission invited the Council, in accordance with Article 265 TFEU, to adopt the Commission proposal concerning the adjustment, from 1 July 2012, of the rate of contribution to the pension scheme of officials and other servants of the European Union².

¹ Council document 13464/13.

² Council document 17360/12.

4. On 30 October 2013, COREPER approved, in accordance with Article 19(7)(k) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, a holding letter which was addressed to the Commission as a follow-up to the said invitation. Subject to a number of parliamentary scrutiny reserves, the Working Party on the Staff Regulations was able to reach a qualified majority at its meeting on 11 November 2013. It is noted that the UK will vote against this proposal, whilst DE and the NL will abstain from voting.

5. Against this background, COREPER is invited to confirm its agreement with the text set out in ST 16941/13 with a view to its submission to the Council for adoption on the basis of the text finalised by the Quality Advisers (ST 16208/13).
