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from: General Secretariat  
to: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council  
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Subject: Adoption of a Council Regulation amending Annex I to  
Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the Tariff and Statistical Nomenclature and  
on the Common Customs Tariff

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1. On 28 October 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal based on Articles 31 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and aiming at providing for simplification of both the nomenclature and the customs duties, on an autonomous basis, for certain sanitary articles.
2. At its meeting on 14 November 2013, the Working Party on Customs Union reached agreement on the text of this proposal<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> At this stage, the Danish, French, Finnish and UK delegations maintain parliamentary scrutiny reservations. It is understood that these reservations will be lifted before the adoption of the Regulation by the Council.

3. Since agreement on the text has been reached, the Permanent Representatives Committee could invite the Council to adopt the draft Regulation, as set out in doc. 16243/13 TDC 20 (text revised by the legal-linguistic experts), as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.
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