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From:	Trade Policy Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
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Subject:	Initiative to Promote Fundamental Labour Rights and Practices in Myanmar/Burma - Agreement that the European Union should join the Initiative

1. On 1 April 2015, the Commission submitted to the Council for endorsement its Decision of 26 March 2015 on the European Union joining the multi-stakeholder process under the framework of the Initiative to Promote Fundamental Labour Rights and Practices in Myanmar/Burma.
2. At its meeting on 17 April 2015, the Trade Policy Committee examined the matter expressing support for joining the above mentioned Initiative, noting that the process did not entail any new or additional legal commitments for the Union.
3. Subject to confirmation by the Permanent Representatives Committee, the Council is therefore invited to agree, as an "A" item on the agenda of one of its forthcoming meetings, that the Union should join the multi-stakeholder process under the framework of the above mentioned Initiative.