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Subject:	Proposal for a Council Decision amending Decision 2002/546/EC as regards its period of application

1. On 26 July 2013, the Commission presented its proposal, based on Article 349 TFEU¹, for a Council Decision amending Decision 2002/546/EC as regards its period of application.
2. On 18 November 2013, the Working Party on Outermost Regions Working Party examined the proposal². Subsequently, the Presidency tabled a compromise text. That compromise was accepted by delegations in a silence procedure.

¹ Special legislative procedure (the Council acting on a Commission proposal after consulting the European Parliament).

² The UK delegation entered a general scrutiny reservation.

3. On 11 December 2013, the European Parliament adopted its opinion on the proposal³. The position of the European Parliament was examined by the Working Party on Outermost Regions on 12 December 2013.
 4. It is therefore suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee invites the Council to:
 - adopt as an "A" item the above-mentioned proposal, as finalised by the Lawyer Linguists and as set out in document 16835/13.
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³ The European Parliament approved the Commission proposal. The Council, however, was invited to reconsult the European Parliament if substantive amendments were to be introduced.