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Subject: Adoption of a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural, fishery and industrial products

1. On 19 November 2015, the Working Party on Customs Union examined, on the basis of an advanced copy, a draft proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural, fishery and industrial products, and agreed on the text as laid down in doc. 15601/15 UD 248¹
2. On 7 December 2015, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, based on Article 31 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

¹ At that stage, the French delegation maintains a parliamentary scrutiny reservation.. It is understood that this reservation will be lifted before the adoption of the Regulation by the Council.

3. Against this background, the Permanent Representatives Committee could:

- confirm the agreement reached within the Working Party and
 - invite the Council to adopt the draft Regulation as set out in doc. 14602/15 UD 232 (text revised by legal/linguistic experts) as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.
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