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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Delegations

Subject: Anti-subsidy and anti-dumping duties against Spanish table olives by the
US authorities
- Information from the Spanish delegation on the state of play

Delegations will find in Annex a note from the Spanish delegation on the above subject, concerning an item under "Any other business" at the Special Committee on Agriculture on 10 September 2018.

**UNITED STATES ANTIDUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING INVESTIGATION OF
RIPE OLIVES FROM SPAIN**

A year ago, United States started an antidumping and countervailing investigation of ripe olives from Spain that has been carried out throughout 2018.

On June 12 2018, the Department of Commerce (DOC) communicated its final determination on the additional duties applicable to imports of Spanish table olives, as a result of the anti-dumping and countervailing duty operations opened July 2017. As a whole, the ad valorem additional duties imposed on Spanish companies ranged between 30.1% and 41.5%, with an average value of 34.8%.

On July 10 2018, the International Trade Commission (ITC) determined that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of ripe olives from Spain and to be sold in the United States at less than fair value and to be subsidized by the government of Spain, confirming the DOC's final determination.

On July 31 2018, the ITC's final determination was published at the Federal Review, which meant the entry into force of the final anti-dumping and countervailing duties established by the DOC (final determination dated on June 13 and correction of August 1). Duties to Spanish ripe olives could be applied during the next five years.

This has damaged Spanish's olive sector image and ripe olives exports to USA. Therefore, **Spain is deeply concerned** about the impact that this case has put the CAP in question as a whole and therefore measures under the WTO should be considered.