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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 31/2018: "Animal welfare in the EU: closing the gap between ambitious goals and practical implementation" • <i>Designation of Working Party</i>

1. On 14 November 2018, the European Court of Auditors published Special Report No 31/2018 entitled "Animal welfare in the EU: closing the gap between ambitious goals and practical implementation"¹.
2. Under the rules laid down in the Council conclusions on improving the examination of special reports drawn up by the Court of Auditors², it is suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee instruct the Working Party of Chief Veterinary Officers to examine the report in accordance with those rules.

¹ This special report is available in 23 EU languages on the Court's website:
<http://eca.europa.eu>.

² Doc. 7515/00 FIN 127 + COR 1.