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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Special Committee on Agriculture/Council
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Subject:	COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) .../... of XXX amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks - Decision not to oppose the adoption (regulatory procedure with scrutiny)

1. On 8 January 2019, following the positive opinion of the Commission Committee for Spirit Drinks (on 4 December 2018), the Commission submitted for scrutiny by the Council and the European Parliament a draft Commission Regulation amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks¹.
2. The Special Committee on Agriculture considered through an informal written procedure that there were no grounds for the Council to oppose the adoption of the draft Commission Regulation.

¹ 5144/19 + ADD1

3. The Special Committee on Agriculture is therefore invited:

- to confirm the agreement reached; and
 - to ask the Council to confirm, as an "A" item on its agenda, that there are no grounds for opposing the draft measure proposed by the Commission.
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