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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Draft Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the Conference of the Parties as regards amendments of Annex III to the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade - Adoption

1. On 6 February 2019, the Commission submitted to Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the ninth Conference of the Parties as regards amendments of Annex III to the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade ¹.
2. On 26 February 2019, the Working Party on the Environment (WPE) considered the Commission proposal. The Presidency compromise text resulting from these discussions and as set out in document 7103/19 following the legal-linguistic revision, is acceptable to all delegations.

¹ Doc. 6169/19.

3. The Committee of Permanent Representatives is invited to recommend that the Council:
- adopt the Decision as set out in document 7103/19 as an "A" item at its meeting on 15 April 2019;
 - inform the European Parliament on its Decision in accordance with Article 218(10) of the TFEU.
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