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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)

Subject: Attendance of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation (EPPO) at the Working Party on Plants and Plant Health Questions (Chief Plant Health Officers) of 1 and 2 December 2022
- Approval

1. The Presidency intends to invite the following third parties to the meeting of the Working Party on Plants and Plant Health Questions (Chief Plant Health Officers) of 1 and 2 December 2022:
 - a) three representatives from EFSA who will present the state of play of the EFSA campaign to raise public awareness on plant health and will give a presentation on the cooperation between EFSA and the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation (EPPO) in the area of plant health. These representatives are
 - Mr. Tobin Robinson, Head of EFSA Plant health and pesticides residues (PLANTS) Unit,
 - Mr. James Ramsay, Head of EFSA Communication Unit and
 - Mr. Giuseppe Stancanelli, EFSA Plant Health Risk Assessment Team Leader.

- b) the Director-General of the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation (EPPO), Mr Nico Horn, to participate in the exchange of views on possible improvements of the technical cooperation between EPPO and the EU.
 2. The Presidency considers that this invitation is in the interest of the Council and complies with the framework applicable to the occasional presence of third parties at meetings of the Council or its preparatory bodies consolidated in the Comments on the Council's Rules of Procedure.
 3. In light of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the above third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Plants and Plant Health Questions (Chief Plant Health Officers) of 1 and 2 December 2022.
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