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1. The Commission submitted on 18 April 2007 a Recommendation from the Commission to the Council authorising the Commission to open negotiations with the Eastern countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy and the EFTA countries for agreements on protection of geographical indications of agricultural products and foodstuffs
2. The Recommendation was examined by the Article 133 Committee (Deputies). The final outstanding issues were resolved at the meeting of the Article 133 Committee (Deputies) on 15 June 2007.
3. It is therefore suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee invite the Council, as an "A" item, in a forthcoming meeting to:
  - authorise the Commission to negotiate agreements with the Eastern countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy and the EFTA countries aiming at the protection of geographical indications on agricultural products and foodstuffs;

- appoint the Article 133 to assist the Commission in this task;
  - issue the attached negotiating directives as set out in Annex I;
  - decide the inscription in the Council minutes of a Commission statement, as set out in Annex II.
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**DIRECTIVES FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENTS  
ON PROTECTION OF GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS ON AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTS AND FOODSTUFFS WITH THE EASTERN COUNTRIES COVERED BY  
THE EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY  
AND THE EFTA COUNTRIES**

**1. General objective**

Conclusion of agreements on protection of geographical indications of agricultural products and foodstuffs.

**2. Content of the agreements**

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With regard to the other agricultural products and foodstuffs:

- the agreements' provisions will cover the protection of geographical indications, which includes, particularly, the elimination of misuses or abuses of geographical indications.

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