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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject: Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural and industrial products
- Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

1. On 18 November 2020, the Commission submitted to the Council the Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural and industrial products, based on Article 31 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
2. In the absence of a meeting of the Working Party on Customs Union due to the current travel restrictions, the delegates exchanged their positions in writing and reached an informal agreement on the text.
3. Against this background, the Permanent Representatives Committee could:
 - confirm the informal agreement reached by members of the Working Party, and
 - decide - given the current exceptional situation - in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision (EU) 2020/430, as extended by Council Decision (EU) 2020/1659, that the Council use the written procedure for the adoption of the Regulation as set out in document ST 13205/20 (text revised by legal/linguistic experts).