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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject:	Attendance of representatives from the the FAO-CGRFA and the ITPGRFA at the informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Genetic Resources) on 24/02/2025 <i>- Approval</i>

1. The Presidency would like to invite a representative from the secretariat of the Food and Agricultural Organization's Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (CGRFA) to attend the informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Genetic Resources) of 24 February 2025. The purpose of the attendance of the above third party is to present to delegations its activities in preparing the Twentieth Regular Session of the CGRFA, to be held 24-28 March 2025.

The Presidency would furthermore like to invite the European member and Chair of the Bureau of the Eleventh Session of the Governing Body (GB-11) of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) as well as a representative from the secretariat of the ITPGRFA to attend the said informal videoconference. The purpose of the attendance of the above third parties is to present to delegations their activities in preparing GB-11, to be held 24-29 November 2025.

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, as set out in the comments on the Council's Rules of Procedure.
 3. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the representatives from the secretariats of CGRFA and ITPGRFA as well as of the European member and Chair of the Bureau of GB-11 at the informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Genetic Resources) of 24 February 2025.
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