

Brussels, 27 March 2025  
(OR. en)

7441/25

VETER 35

**'I' ITEM NOTE**

---

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject:	Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 9 April 2025 - <i>Approval</i>

---

1. The Presidency intends to invite representative of the member countries of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) to attend the meeting of the Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 9 April 2025 to share information concerning the outcome of the meetings of the Specialist Commissions of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH). The purpose of their attendance is to facilitate the alignment of their positions with those of the EU in preparation for the WOAH General Assembly which will be held on 25-29 May 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 the 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 Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 9 April 2025.