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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject:	Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (Codex - CCGP) on 12 May 2025 - <i>Approval</i>

1. The Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (Codex – CCGP) will meet on 12 May 2025 to prepare for the 34th session of the Codex Committee on General Principles (CCGP) scheduled for 2-6 June 2025 in Lille, France. One of the agenda items of that session concerns the application of the criteria and procedural guidelines for Codex committees and ad hoc intergovernmental task forces working by correspondence.
2. The Presidency intends to invite a representative of Norway to attend the meeting of the above Working Party during the preparation for that agenda item, in order to share Norway's recent practical experiences on chairing and organising the work of the Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery Products by correspondence.
3. 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.

4. In the light of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of a representative of Norway at the meeting of the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (Codex – CCGP) on 12 May 2025.
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