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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
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Subject:	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 as regards the school fruit, vegetables and milk scheme ('EU school scheme'), sectoral interventions, the creation of a protein sector, requirements for hemp, the possibility for marketing standards for cheese, protein crops and meat, application of additional import duties, rules on the availability of supplies in time of emergencies and severe crisis and securities - Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions ¹

1. On 16 July 2025 the Commission submitted to the Council a Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 as regards the school fruit, vegetables and milk scheme ('EU school scheme'), sectoral interventions, the creation of a protein sector, requirements for hemp, the possibility for marketing standards for cheese, protein crops and meat, application of additional import duties, rules on the availability of supplies in time of emergencies and severe crisis and securities.

¹ The sole purpose of this note is to decide on the consultation of another institution/body and not on the substance.

2. The proposal is part of a package of proposals for the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), which includes a number of horizontal and sector-specific legislative acts, and there are interlinkages, inter alia, with the proposal for a regulation on the National and Regional Partnership Plans (NRPPs) and the proposal establishing the conditions for the implementation of the Union support to the CAP.
3. Article 43(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, on which the proposal is based, provides for the European Parliament and for the Council to act in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and after consulting the Economic and Social Committee. Thus, the opinion of the Committee of the Regions is not mandatory. However, taking into account the subject matter of the proposal in question and its possible impact for public and private entities also on sub-national level, it would appear appropriate to also consult the Committee of the Regions on the present proposal.
4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to decide, in accordance with Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to consult the Committee of the Regions on the above proposal and to request them to give their opinion as soon as possible.
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