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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Attendance of the Secretary of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, the Chair of the Governing Body of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Norway and Switzerland at the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Genetic Resources) on 10 and 11 November 2025  - <i>Approval</i>

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The Presidency intends to invite the following third parties to the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Genetic Resources) on 10-11 November 2025:

- the Secretary of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture;
- the Chair of the Governing Body of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture;
- representatives of Norway;
- representatives of Switzerland.

The aim is to inform the Working Party about the preparation of the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Governing Body of the International Treaty, and to exchange views with non-EU countries that are highly active within the European Regional Group, in view of regional coordination before the Session.

The Presidency considers that those invitations are in the interest of the Council and comply 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.

In this context, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the above mentioned third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Genetic Resources) on 10-11 November 2025.

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