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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Attendance of representatives of the EFTA countries, a representative of the European Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA), representatives of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) and experts from the Netherlands and Germany at the Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 2-3 December 2025 <i>- Approval</i>

The Presidency would like to invite the following persons to attend the meeting of the Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 2-3 December 2025:

- representatives of EFTA countries, to facilitate the alignment of their positions related to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) with those of the EU;
- representatives of WOAH to inform the Working Party on ongoing and planned work of WOAH;
- a representative of the European Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA) to present simplifications implemented by HaDEA regarding the veterinary and phytosanitary programmes;
- a representatives of 'Tierseuchenkasse Lower Saxony' and of the national reference laboratory of the Netherlands to make presentations related to the implementation of biosecurity measures in Germany and the Netherlands.

The Presidency considers that the above 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 view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the representatives of EFTA countries, of WOA, of HaDEA, of the 'Tierseuchenkasse Lower Saxony' and of the national reference laboratory of the Netherlands at the meeting of the Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 2-3 December 2025.
