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held in Luxembourg on 26 October 2015

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= General approach

13181/15 AGRI 534 AGRILEG 192 VETER 84 PHYTOSAN 52 ANIMAUX 53
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approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 14.10.2015

The Council confirmed the general approach on the proposed Regulation, as set out in doc. 13209/15 and agreed to mandate the Presidency to conduct negotiations with the European Parliament on the basis of the agreed general approach with a view to reaching a pre-negotiated second reading agreement.

- 2. Amendments of the European Parliament to the Council's position on the draft budget for 2016**

13043/15 FIN 695 INST 352 PE-L 59
approved by Coreper, Part 2, on 21.10.2015

The Council confirmed that it could not accept all the amendments adopted by the European Parliament concerning the Council's position on the draft budget for 2016, in accordance with Article 314(4)(c) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

"B" ITEMS

4. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/87/EC to enhance cost-effective emission reductions and low-carbon investments [First reading]**

Interinstitutional File: 2015/0148 (COD)

– Policy debate

11065/15 CLIMA 88 ENV 499 ENER 289 TRANS 241 IND 116 COMPET 370
MI 498 ECOFIN 621 CODEC 1059

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12768/15 CLIMA 107 ENV 612 ENER 347 TRANS 316 IND 147 COMPET 443
MI 615 ECOFIN 751 IA 12 CODEC 1307

The Council held a policy debate on the above-mentioned Commission proposal on the basis of three questions prepared by the Presidency and contained in the annex to doc. 12768/15.

Delegations welcomed the Commission proposal as a necessary first step in the process of translating into legislation the EU objective - as agreed by the October 2014 European Council - of reducing the EU's greenhouse gas emissions by at least 40% domestically by 2030 compared to 1990. Ministers also agreed that the EU emissions trading system was a cornerstone of the EU's climate policy. The President thanked the delegations for their contributions to a rich and interesting debate.

The contributions will provide political guidance for further work on the file within the Council.
