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From:	Working Party on Enlargement and Countries Negotiating Accession to the EU
To:	Permanent Representatives' Committee/Council
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Subject:	COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EU-Turkey Association Council as regards the amendment of Protocol 2 to Decision No 1/98 of the EC-Turkey Association Council on the trade regime for agricultural products

- 1. On 11 July 2017, the Commission submitted a proposal for the above-mentioned Decision to the Council.
- 2. At its meeting of 10 November 2017, the Working Party on Enlargement and Countries Negotiating Accession to the EU concluded its examination of the Commissions proposal. It was found that:
 - twenty-six delegations were able to agree to the Commission proposal;
 - two delegations maintained a reserve.

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- 3. The Council is therefore invited, subject to confirmation by Coreper, to:
 - adopt by a qualified majority, the Cyprus delegation and the Greek delegation voting against, the Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EU-Turkey Association Council as regards the amendment of Protocol 2 to Decision No 1/98 of the EC-Turkey Association Council on the trade regime for agricultural products, as set out in document 14375/17, prepared by the lawyer-linguists;
 - order publication of the above-mentioned Council Decision, as well as of the Decision of the EU-Turkey Association Council following its adoption, in the Official Journal of the European Union.

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