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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on zootechnical and genealogical conditions for the breeding, trade in and entry into the Union of purebred breeding animals, hybrid breeding pigs and the germinal products thereof and amending Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, Council Directives 89/608/EEC and 90/425/EEC and repealing certain acts in the area of animal breeding ('Animal Breeding Regulation') ( <b>first reading</b> ) - Adoption of the legislative act ( <b>LA + S</b> )

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1. On 11 February 2014 the Commission sent its proposal<sup>1</sup>, based on Article 42 and Article 43(2) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 25 March 2014<sup>2</sup>.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 12 April 2016. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> 6445/14.

<sup>2</sup> OJ C 226, 16.7.2014, p. 70.

<sup>3</sup> 7865/16.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to confirm its agreement and to suggest that the Council:
- approve the European Parliament's position as set out in PE-CONS 3/16 as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the Belgian and German delegations abstaining and the Slovak and Hungarian delegations voting against;
  - order that the statements in the addendum to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting.

If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the President of the European Parliament and the President of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

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