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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)  
Subject: Attendance of a representative from the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) at the Working Party on Forestry on 17 July 2026  
- *Approval*

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The Presidency would like to invite a representative from the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Steering Committee to attend the meeting of the Working Party on Forestry on 17 July 2026, for the agenda item on the upcoming 28<sup>th</sup> session of the FAO Committee on Forestry (COFO28).

The purpose of the attendance of the above third party is to present information on the preparations related to COFO28.

The Presidency considers that this invitation is in the interest of the Council and complies 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 a representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) at the meeting of the Working Party on Forestry on 17 July 2026.