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1. **Adoption of the agenda**
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The agenda was adopted.

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2. **Summary record of the 1557th meeting of the SCA**
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The SCA approved the summary record.

3. **Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Chile on trade in organic products**
– Adoption
12316/17 AGRI 482 AGRILEG 173 COMER 99

The SCA suggested that the Council adopt, as an "A" item, the Decision to conclude the agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Chile on trade in organic products as set out in documents 5530/17 (as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts).

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4. **Preparation of the "Agriculture and Fisheries" Council**
a) **Market developments**
– Information from the Commission
12443/17 AGRI 494 AGRIFIN 93 AGRIORG 89

The SCA took note of:

- the update by the Commission on the latest market developments;
- the views expressed by delegations; and
- the intention of the FR delegation to raise an AOB point at the next Council meeting related to Mercosur trade negotiations, which the Presidency proposed to take together with the exchange of views on the market situation.

b) **Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Implications for the EU agricultural policy**
– Presentation of the Presidency paper with the questions for Council debate
12255/17 AGRI 481 DEVGEN 199 ENV 752 ONU 115

The SCA took note of the Presidency background paper and questions set out in document 12255/17 and agreed to forward them to the Council for the exchange of views on 9 October. The SCA also took note of the comments by the delegations and the Commission.

5. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and amending Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002, Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, EU No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1305/2013, (EU) No 1306/2013, (EU) No 1307/2013, (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, (EU) No 652/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Decision No 541/2014/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council (Omnibus proposal) (First reading)**
Interinstitutional file: 2016/0282 (COD)
- Debriefing of the last trilogue
12625/17 AGRI 502 AGRIFIN 96 AGRILEG 177 AGRIORG 90 AGRISTR 82
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The SCA took note of the outcome of the third trilogue as reflected in document 12625/17 and the fourth column of the tables annexed to documents 11247/3/17 REV 3, 11274/3/17 REV 3, 11290/3/17 REV 3 and 11291/3/17 REV 3.

It had an exchange of views on the key outstanding issues to identify areas where the Presidency might be able to show some flexibility with a view to securing agreement on an overall compromise package.

The Presidency will report to the Committee on 16 October to inform it of the outcome of the fourth trilogue and, hopefully, to obtain its approval of an overall compromise package.

6. **European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 7/2017: "The certification bodies' new role on CAP expenditure: a positive step towards a single audit model but with significant weaknesses to be addressed"**
- Exchange of views
8905/17 FIN 287 AGRI 246 AGRIFIN 47 AGRISTR 43

The SCA took note of the comments of the FR delegation on the European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 7/2017 on certification bodies. The Presidency urged delegations to coordinate positions with their AGRIFIN colleagues on the draft Council conclusions on this report, which AGRIFIN intends to adopt at its meeting on 13 October.

7. **Organisation of future work**

The Presidency informed the SCA about the next SCA meeting on 16 October.

The DE delegation informed the SCA about its intention to request at Coreper, for the next "Agriculture and Fisheries" Council meeting on 9 October 2017, an AOB item on the approaches for sustainable and deforestation-free supply chains – cross-learning from palm oil, cocoa and soy.
