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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee

Subject: Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down certain transitional provisions for support from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and from the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) in the years 2021 and 2022 and amending Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013, (EU) No 1306/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013 as regards resources and application in the years 2021 and 2022 and Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 as regards resources and the distribution of such support in respect of the years 2021 and 2022 (**first reading**)
- Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption of the legislative act

1. On 31 October 2019 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Articles 43(2) and 349 TFUE, to the Council.
2. The Court of Auditors adopted its opinion on 26 February 2020².
3. The European Economic and Social Committee adopted its opinion on 5 May 2020³.

¹ 13643/19.

² OJ C 109, 1.4.2020, p. 1.

³ OJ C 232, 14.7.2020, p. 29.

4. The Committee of the Regions has been consulted.
5. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 16 December 2020⁴.
6. Due to the special circumstances, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision (EU) 2020/1659⁵, that the Council uses the written procedure for the adoption of the draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down certain transitional provisions for support from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and from the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) in the years 2021 and 2022 and amending Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013, (EU) No 1306/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013 as regards resources and application in the years 2021 and 2022 and Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 as regards resources and the distribution of such support in respect of the years 2021 and 2022, as set out in document PE- CONS 29/20.

⁴ 14117/20.

⁵ Council Decision (EU) 2020/1659 of 6 November 2020 further extending the temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure introduced by Decision (EU) 2020/430, and extended by Decisions (EU) 2020/556, (EU) 2020/702, (EU) 2020/970 and (EU) 2020/1253, in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 376, 10.11.2020, p. 3–4)