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Subject: 1388th meeting of the SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

held in Brussels on 4 October 2010

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1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

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The agenda was approved.

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2. Summary Record of the 1387th meeting of the SCA

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The Special Committee on Agriculture approved the summary record.

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- 3. Report from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on the implementation of the remote sensing applications and on the use of the financial resources made available to it under Council Regulation (EC) No 78/2008 (interim report)
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The SCA took note of a presentation by the Commission representative on the report of the implementation of the remote sensing applications, and the comments made by a number of delegations (CY, FI, LV and PL) and the reaction by the Commission representative.

- Proposal for a Regulation (EU) No .../ of the European Parliament and of the 4. Council laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union
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After a presentation by the Commission representative, the French delegation, supported by the Spanish and the Portuguese delegations, requested that Article 349 TFEU should also be retained as the legal basis of the proposal, as this was the case for Regulation (EU) No 641/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2010 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union.

14743/10 **DGB** The Cypriot delegation reminded others that many of the characteristics of the outermost regions were similar to those of other regions, such as Cyprus, and that those particularities had to be taken account of in the context of the upcoming reform of the CAP.

The Polish delegation pointed out that while Spain would be allowed to continue granting aid for tobacco producers, that possibility had been refused to other Member States, where tobacco growing was of comparable importance for some regions.

The UK delegation enquired where the money would come from to cover the 20% increase of the ceiling for financing of the specific supply arrangements for France and Portugal. In his reply, the Commission representative explained that the increase concerned a sub-ceiling so as to provide a higher degree of flexibility within the overall ceiling. Since the overall ceiling was not raised, the budgetary consequences would be nil.

The German, the French, the Luxemburg, the Maltese and the Austrian delegations entered scrutiny reservations on those provisions of the proposal relating to delegated acts.

The Italian and the Latvian delegations entered scrutiny reservations on those provisions of the proposal relating to delegated acts and financial questions.

The Polish and the UK delegations entered parliamentary scrutiny reservations on the proposal.

The Polish and the Slovenian delegations entered scrutiny reservations on the proposal.

The <u>Presidency</u> concluded that the Committee had taken note of the presentation made by the Commission representative and of the comments made by delegations and informed the Committee that the proposal would be further examined at Working Party level.

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5. Examination procedure

Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 1234/2007, as regards distribution of food products to the most deprived persons in the Union 13435/10 AGRI 312 AGRIORG 25 CODEC 798

The <u>Presidency</u> informed the <u>Committee</u> that the above proposal would be examined by the Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural Questions on 6 October 2010.

6. Organisation of future work

The Presidency informed the SCA on the next meeting on 18 October 2010.

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