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Subject:	Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs tariff duties of the Union for certain agricultural and industrial products - Adoption

1. On 21 November 2019, the Commission submitted to the Council the above-mentioned proposal, based on Article 31 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

2. The Working Party on Customs Union examined the proposal, and on 28 November 2019 agreed on the text, as laid down in doc. ST 14494/19.

3. Against this background, the Permanent Representatives Committee[1] could:

   - confirm the agreement reached by the Working Party, and

   - invite the Council to adopt the Regulation as set out in doc. ST 14529/19 (text revised by the legal/linguistic experts) as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.

[1] At the meeting of the Permanent Representatives' Committee on 18 December 2019, the United Kingdom indicated its intention to abstain.