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With a view to the meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 18 November 2024, delegations will find in the Annex a background document on the above-mentioned subject.

Market situation in particular following the invasion of Ukraine

EU agricultural markets show positive signals of recovery to a stable situation. Overall, price levels are in line with historical averages, input prices are declining although they remain above pre-Covid levels, and food inflation has fallen although prices remain high. The situation appears less positive for some sectors, such as the fruit and vegetable sector and the cereal and oilseeds markets, which are particularly affected by adverse weather conditions.

The EU agricultural sectors are still facing various challenges mainly linked to extreme weather events, outbreaks of animal and plant diseases on agricultural production and concerns related to trade and the geopolitical developments.

With a view to preparing the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) meeting on 18 November 2024, delegations provided written comments as set out in document WK 14049/2024 and its addenda.

Between July and November, the Hungarian Presidency planned a series of six policy debates in the SCA, each focusing on challenges and future perspectives in different agricultural sectors. A summary of the outcome of the SCA sectoral discussions was provided in document 15525/24.
