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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject:	Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on Trade Questions on 23 November 2026 - Approval

1. The Chair of the Working Party on Trade Questions intends to invite a representative of Business Europe for an informal exchange of views with the members of the working party in the margins of the Working Party on Trade Questions meeting on 23 November 2026.

2. The Chair of the Working Party on Trade Questions considers that this invitation is in the interest of the Council and in line with the framework applicable to the occasional presence of third parties, including interest representatives, at meetings of the Council or of its preparatory bodies. The aim of this invitation would be to allow the representative of Business Europe to present his views on the EU trade-defence toolbox from the European industry perspective. An informal discussion with experts from Member States will follow the presentation.

3. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the representative of Business Europe at the meeting of the Working Party on Trade Questions on 23 November 2026.