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1. **Adoption of the provisional agenda**

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The agenda was approved.

I

2. **Summary record of the 1442nd meeting of the SCA**

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The SCA approved the summary record.

II

3. - **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) (CAP Reform)**

- Article 43(3)

- Accession of Croatia

- *Information on the revised Presidency text¹*

The SCA took note of the Presidency's intention to distribute a set of legal adjustments to the draft Regulation reflecting the outcome of recent discussions in the SCA or in the Working Party, including on the accession of Croatia and on the Council's position on Article 43(3) TFEU.

The SCA also took note of the Presidency invitation to delegations to submit written comments, as appropriate, to the Council Secretariat by 9 November 2012 close of business.

- **Proposal for a Council Regulation determining measures on fixing certain aids and refunds related to the common organisation of the markets in agricultural products (CAP Reform)**

- Article 43(3)

- *Information on the revised Presidency text*

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The SCA took note of the view of the Presidency that the draft Regulation set out in document 14697/12 had the broad support of delegations subject to the possible

¹ *to be distributed after the meeting*

inclusion of the provisions on buying-in at a fixed price or tendering in public intervention and on the understanding that the draft Regulation would be adjusted, as appropriate, in the light of future discussions on CAP reform.

4. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy**

- Young Farmers Scheme
 - *Further Presidency suggested amendments to Articles 23,24,36 and 37*
15625/12 AGRI 716 AGRIFIN 201 CODEC 2531

The SCA considered a set of suggested Presidency amendments as set out in document 15625/12.

The SCA noted the Presidency's summary, the main elements of which were as follows:

- The Presidency's suggested amendments were broadly supported as a step in the right direction although several delegations reserved their position pending the political decision on the mandatory or voluntary nature of the scheme.
- Some delegations expressed concerns about the suggested method for reallocation of unused funds through the national reserve and several others requested a general mechanism in the Regulation to deal with any unused funds.
- Delegations' other comments and scrutiny reserves were noted, as well as the comments of the Commission representative.
- Accession of Croatia
 - *Information on the revised Presidency text*¹

The SCA took note of the Presidency's intention to distribute a set of legal adjustments to the draft Regulation to take account of the accession of Croatia and to incorporate a number of further legal-linguistic changes.

The SCA further took note of the Presidency invitation to delegations to submit written comments, as appropriate, to the Council Secretariat by 9 November 2012, close of business.

5. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural development (EAFRD)**

- Irrigation
- Forestry measures
 - *Information on the revised Presidency text*
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Irrigation

The SCA took note of the presentation by the Presidency of the new revised text and of delegations' and Commission's comments. The Presidency invited delegations to send written comments by Wednesday 7 November 2012.

Forestry measures

The SCA took note of the Presidency's report from the Working Party and of the comments from delegations and the Commission.

6. **Organisation of future work**

The Presidency informed the SCA on the preparation of its next meeting on 12 November 2012.
