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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 20/2024: Common Agricultural Policy Plans: Greener, but not matching the EU's ambitions for the climate and the environment <i>- Approval of draft Council conclusions</i>

1. The Permanent Representatives Committee instructed the Working Party on Financial Agricultural Questions (WP AGRIFIN) to examine the above-mentioned Special Report in accordance with the rules laid down in the Council conclusions of 8 May 2000 on improving the examination of special reports drawn up by the Court of Auditors (doc. 7515/00 + COR 1).
2. This examination showed that significant parts of the report do not relate to the discharge procedure and some parts concern matters that fall outside the scope of the Court's competence as defined by the treaties.

3. At its meeting on 20 November 2024, WP AGRIFIN discussed the above-mentioned Special Report as well as the Commission's replies to the report. It was considered that Council conclusions should be drawn up regarding Special Report No 20/24. In the light of those discussions, the Presidency drew up draft conclusions (doc. 15964/24). A deadline for written comments was set on 2 December. A number of comments were received and addressed in a redrafted text (doc. 15964/24 ADD 1). The revised text was presented in the WP AGRIFIN of 5 December and all Member States agreed to it. The text in doc. 15964/24 ADD 1 is considered final.
 4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is hereby invited to suggest to the Council that it approve the draft Council conclusions as set out in the Annex to this note as an 'A' item at a forthcoming session.
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