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Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products
- Approval of the final compromise text

1. On 27 February 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council the above-mentioned proposal, based on Articles 43(2) and 207(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
2. The proposal mainly aims to:
 - identify the delegated and implementing powers of the Commission in Regulation (EC) No 1216/2009 and establish the corresponding procedure for the adoption of these acts in parallel with the Lisbon alignment of the Single CMO Regulation;
 - adapt Regulation (EC) No 1216/2009 to the new Single CMO Regulation in the context of the CAP after 2013 and the new MFF 2014-2020;

- integrate the common system of trade for ovalbumin and lactalbumin (Regulation (EC) No 614/2009) in the trade regime for processed agricultural products (Regulation (EC) No 1216/2009).
3. On 20 March 2013, 23 April and 11 June 2013, the Working Party on products not listed in Annex I examined the Commission proposal. On the basis of delegations' comments¹, the Irish Presidency prepared a first draft compromise text as set out in 11052/13 ADD 1.
 4. On 8 July 2013, the European Parliament's AGRI Committee adopted its report² on the above proposal containing 17 draft amendments. The rapporteur is Mr Paolo DE CASTRO.
 5. On 10 July 2013, the European Economic and Social Committee gave its opinion³ on the proposal. The rapporteur is Mr Mindaugas MACIULEVIČIUS.
 6. On 25 September 2013, the Working Party on products not listed in Annex I examined the draft compromise text prepared by the Lithuanian Presidency with a view to taking into account the outcome of the proceedings on this proposal in the institutions mentioned above. Further to the meeting, delegations were invited to send their written comments⁴ to the Presidency.
 7. On 16 October 2013, the Working Party on products not listed in Annex I examined a revised draft compromise text.
 8. On 30 October 2013, the Permanent Representatives Committee mandated the Presidency to enter into informal negotiations with the representatives of the European Parliament⁵.
 9. The first informal trilogue was held on the 21 November 2013. An overall compromise package could be identified. The Presidency indicated that it would recommend this outcome to the Permanent Representatives Committee.

¹ Doc. 7635/13 + ADD 1 - ADD 17.

² EP document A7-0260/2013.

³ EESC document NAT/599 - CES3028-2013.

⁴ Delegations' written comments are contained in doc. 14540/2/13 REV 2.

⁵ Doc. 14666/13 + ADD 1

10. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to:

- confirm agreement on the overall compromise package as set out in addendum 1 to this note;
 - give the Presidency a mandate to inform the Chair of the European Parliament's Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, by letter, that, should the European Parliament confirm its position at first reading in the exact form as set out in the Annex A of the Addendum to this note, the Council would then approve the European Parliament's position⁶.
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⁶ The act shall be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the European Parliament's position, subject, if necessary, to revision by the legal linguists of both institutions.