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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)

Subject: Attendance of a representative from the Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO) at the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (OECD - Seeds) on 23 January 2024 and 4 June 2024
- *Approval*

1. The Presidency intends to invite (on the agenda item dedicated to the coordination of the EU positions for the meetings of the OECD Seed Schemes), the following third party to the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (OECD – Seeds) meetings scheduled for 23 January 2024 and 4 June 2024:
 - An adviser from the Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO).
2. The purpose of the attendance of the above third party is to address questions from delegations requiring the CPVO technical expertise which is useful for the OECD Seed Scheme discussions in relation to the approval of varieties and the certification of seeds.
3. The Presidency considers that this invitation is in the interest of the Council and complies with the framework applicable to the occasional presence of third parties at meetings of the Council or its preparatory bodies, as set out in the comments on the Council's Rules of Procedure.

4. In light of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the above third party at the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (OECD – Seeds) meetings scheduled for 23 January 2024 and 4 June 2024.
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