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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject:	Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 13 February 2025 <i>- Approval</i>

1. At the meeting of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 13 February 2025, the members will exchange views on the topic of barriers to the Single Market of services.
2. The Chair of the Working Party would like to invite a representative of the European Round Table for Industry (transparency registry identification number: 25487567824-45) to this meeting. The representative would present their views on the barriers that the European industry perceives, notably when it comes to the cross-border provision of services. These insights will feed into the exchange of views between delegations on the topic of barriers to the Single Market of services.
3. The Chair of the Working Party 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 consolidated in the Comments on the Council's Rules of Procedure.

4. Considering the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of the representative of the European Round Table for Industry at the meeting of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (High Level) on 13 February 2025.
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