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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1186/2009 as regards the elimination of the customs duty relief threshold
	- Adoption
	- Statement by Malta

Malta has requested that the following statement be entered in the Council minutes

Malta remains committed to supporting the policy objective of addressing abuse linked to low-value consignments, including undervaluation and artificial splitting, and acknowledges the rationale for eliminating the EUR 150 customs duty relief threshold.

Malta recognises that the agreed text broadly aligns with its long-standing position on ensuring a level playing field and safeguarding Union and national revenues.

Malta nevertheless wishes to reiterate its concerns regarding the operational, administrative, and IT implications of the agreed measures, in particular for smaller customs administrations.