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1. **Adoption of the agenda** 6678/24

The agenda was adopted.

Non-discussion items (I)

2. **Summary record of the 1711th meeting of the SCA** 6458/24

The SCA approved the summary record.

Discussion items (II)

3. **Need for both rapid and structural answers to the current crisis situation in the agricultural sector** 6295/24

*Information from the Presidency and the Commission
Preparation of the Council debate*

The SCA took note of the information provided by the Presidency and by the Commission regarding the preparation of the debate at the “Agriculture and Fisheries” Council on 26 February 2024 on rapid and structural responses to the current crisis situation in the agricultural sector, and of delegations’ questions and comments. It also endorsed the suggested guiding questions in document 6295/24.

Any other business

4. **Organisation of future work**

The Presidency informed the SCA on the "Agriculture and Fisheries" Council meeting on 26 February 2024 and the next SCA meeting on 11 March 2024.

Regarding that Council meeting:

- the Romanian delegation requested an item under “any other business” on the “Modification of the Annex III to the Regulation 2021/2115 for adapting GAEC7 and GAEC8 requirements in order to avoid highly undermining EU farmers’ competitiveness”;
- the Italian delegation requested an item under “any other business” on “agriculture, the CAP and food sovereignty in the EU”; and
- the Slovak delegation requested an item under “any other business” on “information on farmers’ challenges”.

The Presidency concluded that these 3 AOB items, and the one from Latvia¹ on GAEC 1 requested at the SCA meeting on 12 February (see document 6458/24) would be taken jointly with the main item on the “Need for both rapid and structural answers to the current crisis situation in the agricultural sector”.

¹ The Latvian delegation later informed the Presidency and the Council Secretariat that this AOB item was withdrawn.