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From: To:	General Secretariat of the Council Working Party on the Environment
Subject:	Nature Restoration Regulation: WPE on 2 October 2023 – Presidency Note

With a view to the meeting of the Working Party on the Environment on 2 October 2023, delegations will find attached a Presidency note to guide the discussions on the Nature Restoration Regulation.

A 4-column table will be issued as an ADD1 to this Note.



Presidency Note WORKING PARTY ON THE ENVIRONMENT 2 October 2023 (PM) Nature Restoration Regulation

- Delegations will find in the ADD1 to this Note, a working 4-column table reflecting the state of play of the negotiations at technical level with the European Parliament on less political issues. During the WPE, the Presidency will invite delegations to give a general reaction to the suggested texts set out in the 4th column.
- Afterwards, the Presidency will briefly present the key political issues identified by the colegislators during the negotiations, which will be addressed at the second trilogue on 5
 October. Delegations will be invited to indicate their views and potential flexibilities on the following elements:
 - Articles 4 and 5 (Natura 2000 and objectives)
 - Non deterioration principle
 - Article 9. Restoration of agricultural ecosystems
 - Financing (lines 203f, 300d and 300e of the 4-column table)
 - o Revision (Article 22) and Emergency brake (Article 22a)