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From:	Presidency
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural Questions (Organic farming) on 9 February 2026 - Presidency flash note

With a view to the meeting of the Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural Questions (Organic farming) on 9 February 2026, delegations will find in the annex the Cyprus Presidency Flash note

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6th of February 2026

Presidency Flash Note
WP ON HORIZONTAL AGRICULTURAL QUESTIONS (ORGANIC FARMING)

9th February 2026 10:00 JL 20.7

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Dear colleagues,

Having in mind the ministerial discussion of the proposal during the last Council meeting and the "mandate" provided to the council preparatory bodies for its swift adoption following some fine tuning of its provisions and the decision of the European Parliament to similarly follow a simplified procedure the presidency will ask delegations to provide their positions/comments on the provisions of the proposal, following its initial detailed presentations by the Commission during the last meeting of the Working Party.

In this regard, the Presidency invites delegations to focus their comments on the provisions that concern the following points in the proposal in the order below:

Block 1:

a. Implementation of the CJEU Herbaria II judgment and use of the EU logo

b. Extension of the recognition of equivalence of third countries

Block 2:

a. Animal production – Poultry

b. Veterinary treatment – Withdrawal periods

Block 3:

a. Cleaning and disinfection of facilities
b. Exemption for smaller operators from certification
c. Requirements for the composition of Groups of operators

We look forward to welcoming you to Brussels on the 9th of February 2026.