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Delegations will find attached a Flash note from the Presidency in relation to the meeting of the Working Party on Intellectual Property taking place on 13 May 2024.

Working Party Meeting 13 May

Dear colleagues,

We cordially invite you to our upcoming Working Party meeting scheduled for **13 May**. This full-day meeting will provide an opportunity for more detailed discussions related to Supplementary Protection Certificates. The corresponding agenda has been issued on Delegates Portal on 30 April (CM 2721/24).

During this meeting, our discussions will specifically focus on the stocktaking paper circulated on 30 April (document 9519/24). Based on the valuable feedback received from delegations on our questionnaire during the Working Party meetings of 13 March and 12 April, as well as on their written contributions, the Presidency has elaborated this paper taking stock of the main topics raised in the discussion, and suggesting, where possible, a way forward.

At the meeting of the Working Party on 13 May, delegations are invited to give their views on the questions set out in the stocktaking paper. While the Presidency welcomes your input on all topics touched upon in this document, we intend to focus the discussion particularly on the system of remedies. Considering the time constraints, we would therefore like to request delegations to privilege interventions on core issues and questions, without specifically repeating their position on each and every element of the files. Please note that the Commission's Legal Service will be attending the meeting. We will also have the opportunity to have an exchange of views on the financial aspects as well as on the language regime, on the basis of additional information that will be presented by the Commission during the meeting.

We look forward to diving back once again into the wonderful world of SPCs.

Kind regards,

The Belgian Presidency Team

