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Subject: Council's position in view of the adoption of the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on Protective measures against pests of plants (2013/0141 (COD)) - Early second reading agreement

Your Excellency,

I have the pleasure to let you know that, at its meeting of 26 April 2016, the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development adopted, by large majority, the result of the last informal trilogue held on 16 December 2015 in the European Parliament regarding the above mentioned proposal for a Regulation.

I would like to inform you that should the Council transmit formally to the Parliament its position in the form as it stands in the annex to this letter, I will, in my capacity as Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, recommend to the Plenary that the Council's position be accepted without amendment, subject to legal-linguistic verification, at Parliament's second reading.

At the same time, I would like to thank the Council's Presidencies for the efforts made and the work accomplished to achieve an early second reading agreement on this file.

Yours sincerely,

Czesław Adam Siekierski

Annex: Final consolidated text
Copy to: Vytenis Andriukaitis, Commissioner for Health and Food Safety