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Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the action of the Union following its accession to the Geneva Act of the Lisbon Agreement on Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications.

Dear Mr. Svoboda,

Following the informal meeting between the representatives of the three institutions, a draft overall compromise package was agreed today by the Permanent Representatives' Committee.

I am therefore now in a position to confirm that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading, in accordance with Article 294 paragraph 3 of the Treaty, in the exact form as set out in the compromise package contained in the Annex to this letter (subject to the revision by the legal-linguistic experts of both institutions), the Council would, in accordance with Article 294, paragraph 4 of the Treaty, approve the European Parliament's position and the act shall be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the European Parliament's position.

On behalf of the Council, I also wish to thank you for your close cooperation which should enable us to reach an agreement on this dossier at first reading.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairperson of the Permanent Representatives
Committee (Part 1)

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