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Invitation to the meeting of the STANDING COMMITTEE ON ORGANIC FARMING

**The 110th meeting of the Standing Committee on Organic Farming
will take place on 13 and 14 November 2012 and will start at 10:00 a.m. at
rue de la Loi 130 – 11th floor - room B**

**Simultaneous interpretation:
FR-DE-EN-IT-ES to FR-DE-EN-IT-ES**

I have the honour to invite the experts from the appropriate departments of the Governments of the Member States to attend a meeting of the Standing Committee on Organic Farming which will take place on 13th and 14th November 2012 in Brussels at the following address:
European Commission, DG AGRI building, rue de la Loi 130 – B 1049 Brussels - 11th floor - **room B**

AGENDA

Section A – Opinion of the Committee

No point

Section B – Points for information and/or discussion

1. Implementing rules (Regulation (EC) No 889/2008)

- a) (Possibly) Working document on a proposal for amending Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 revising Annexes I and II
- b) Revision of Annex IX on non-organic ingredients (information)
- c) Working document on a proposal for amending Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 as regards as regards supervision and controls

2. Import regime (Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008)

Working document on a proposal for amendment of Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards the arrangements for imports of organic products from third countries.

3. Reporting and notifications under organic farming legislation

Overview of notifications and reporting in 2012

4. Irregularities and controls

- a) Update on notification of EU irregularities
- b) Update on notification of irregularities concerning imported products
- c) Latest developments concerning OFIS

5. Codex Alimentarius – electronic working groups (state of play)

6. Import regime (Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008)

- a) Overview on third countries
- b) China
- c) Japan
- d) US: Presentation by the US National Organic Program Deputy Administrator on the EU-US organic equivalence arrangement and on the role of the US National Organic Standard Board
- e) Assessment of applications of control bodies with the assistance of Member States

7. Miscellaneous¹

- Point on Impact Assessment



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¹ Any subjects that the Member States wish to discuss under Point 'Miscellaneous' need to be submitted to the Commission and the other Member States at the latest one week before the meeting of the Standing Committee on Organic Farming.