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*To the Member States' Permanent
Representations to the EU and
to the Mission of Croatia to the EU*

**INVITATION TO A MEETING OF THE
EXPERT GROUP ON DIRECT PAYMENTS**

I am pleased to inform you that the first meeting of the expert group on direct payments will be held

**in Brussels, rue Froissart, 36
Building CCAB - "Albert Borschette"
Meeting room: see at the entrance of the building
on Thursday 24 January 2013
from 14:30 to 16:30**

with the following agenda:

- (1) **Adjustment mechanism for 2013:** Presentation on and discussion of a Draft Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing Council Regulation (EC) N° 73/90 as regards the basis of calculation for reductions to be applied to farmers by Member States due to the adjustment of payments in 2013 and financial discipline for calendar year 2013 - DS/EGDP/2013/1 (attached)
- (2) **Any other business**

Please **communicate the name and the function of the expert that will take part** to this meeting by 21 January 2013 to the following functional mailbox: agri-dp-meetings@ec.europa.eu.

A simultaneous interpretation from and to nine languages (DA-DE-EL-EN-ES-FR-IT-NL-PT), taking into account the availability of the interpreters, will be ensured. In consideration of the capacity of the meeting room, Member States are requested to limit their delegation to one or two representatives.

The travel expenses of one delegate per Member State can be reimbursed by the Commission, on the basis of a train ticket or, if applicable, an economy class plane ticket, insofar as these expenses are not already reimbursed in the framework of another meeting taking place on that same day.

The usual administrative rules regarding the reimbursement of experts' expenses will be applied:

- Tickets must be stamped and a photocopy added to the request for reimbursement of travel expenses. Experts are requested to bring with them their ticket as well as a photocopy that can be attached to the reimbursement form.
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- Regarding the processing of personal data collected at this occasion, please read the "Specific Privacy Statement for processing of personal data related to Comitology Committees" on the CIRCA Website, section "Direct Payments".

Sincerely yours,



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