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The 2917th session of the Council of the European Union - **AGRICULTURE and FISHERIES** - will take place on 18 December 2008 and 19 December 2008, in the Justus Lipsius building, in Brussels, under the Presidency of **Mr Michel BARNIER, Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries** of France.

The following points will be discussed at this session:

AGRICULTURE ITEMS

SCA Items

- Green Paper on agricultural product quality: product standards, farming requirements and quality schemes
 - *Policy debate*

Coreper items

- Proposal for a Council Regulation implementing Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the use of antimicrobial substances to remove surface contamination from poultry carcasses
 - *Adoption*
- Food, feed, animal and plant imports: safety and compliance with Community rules
 - *Adoption of Council conclusions*

FISHERIES ITEMS

- Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing for 2009 the fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, applicable in Community waters and, for Community vessels, in waters where catch limitations are required
 - *Political agreement*

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The Presidency will hold press conferences, probably on Thursday at the end of proceedings [+/-18.00] and at the end of the Council meeting on Friday.

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