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Dear Sir/Madam,

In general, while the market situation is stable, it is highly fragile and uncertain. The closure of many sales channels continues to put enormous pressure on various sectors (see report attached). In addition, the agri-food sector is still adapting to the increase in export costs due to Brexit.

In spite of the uncertainties, several economists have predicted some positive developments for the second and third quarter with the vaccine rollout across the EU and with the potential relaxation of some restrictions. Nonetheless, Mother Nature has reminded us all that agriculture is very exposed to external factors that lie out of farmers' control. The recent spate of frost has inflicted considerable damage on many farms across Europe. While it is too early to quantify the damage, many farmers expect a historically low harvest. While not all regions or sectors in Europe have been affected to the same extent, this dynamic situation is evolving at the time of writing. The Copa-Cogeca Praesidium on 22nd and 23rd April will analyse the situation.

Please find attached the Copa and Cogeca assessment on Impact of COVID-19 on the agricultural, forestry and fisheries sectors, February 2021 – April 2021.

This note provides an update to the Copa and Cogeca assessment COV(21)770, that was published in February.

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