

Food distribution to the most deprived persons in the Community

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At the request of the French delegation, the Presidency indicated that a qualified majority within the Council could be confirmed, at a later stage, in favour of the temporary continuation of the programme for the distribution of food to the most deprived persons. This should guarantee the effective functioning of the programme in 2012 and 2013 under specific conditions.

The Presidency will include this item on the agenda for one of the next Council meetings with a view to reaching an agreement on the basis of a Presidency compromise.