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From:	Council Legal Service
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
Subject:	Council decision amending the Council's Rules of Procedure - Update of the table of the population of the Member States for the period from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018

1. Article 11(6) of the Rules of Procedure of the Council provides that, with effect from 1 January each year, the Council shall, in accordance with the data available to the Statistical Office of the European Union on 30 September of the preceding year, amend the figures set out in Annex III to the Rules of Procedure.
2. On the basis of the figures from the Statistical Office of the European Union forwarded by the Commission on 6 November 2017 (document 14155/17), the Antici group reached agreement at its meeting on 5 December 2017 on the text of the Decision as set out in the Annex to the present note.
3. Coreper is invited to recommend that the Council adopt the Decision as it will be set out, after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts, in document 14966/17, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.