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**From :** Foreign Relations Counsellors Working Party

**To :** Political and Security Committee

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**Subject :** European Union autonomous sanctions:

- Recommendations for working methods for EU autonomous sanctions

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1. On 27 June 2007, COREPER endorsed a series of practical recommendations for listings and de-listings in respect of country-specific EU autonomous sanctions or EU additions to UN sanctions (doc. 11054/07).
2. On 19 July 2011, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) held, on the basis of contributions presented by several Member States, a horizontal discussion on EU policy on restrictive measures (sanctions). PSC invited the Foreign Relations Counsellors Working Party (RELEX) and its Sanctions Formation to take work forward, based on Member States contributions and the PSC discussion, including to review implementation of the Sanctions Guidelines and best practices with a view to ensuring efficiency, effectiveness and quality of the legal acts, and report back to the PSC.

3. On 10 November 2011, the European External Action Service presented draft Recommendations for working methods for EU autonomous sanctions taking account of certain aspects raised in Member States' contributions. RELEX discussed the EEAS paper on 24 November, 5 and 15 December 2011. It reached agreement on Recommendations as set out in the Annex to this note on 16 December 2011.
4. It is to be noted that discussions in RELEX/Sanctions Formation concerning the updating of the Sanctions Guidelines are still on-going. It is understood that upon completion of the review of the Sanctions Guidelines, the present Recommendations would become their part. The issue of transliterations of names referred to in paragraph 5 of the Recommendations will be further addressed in the context of the review of the Sanctions Guidelines.
5. Considering the above:
  - PSC is invited to endorse the Recommendations set out in the Annex;
  - PSC is invited to recommend to COREPER to endorse those Recommendations.

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