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#### **WRITTEN PROCEDURE**

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Subject: **END OF WRITTEN PROCEDURE**

Council Recommendation amending Council Recommendation (EU) 2020/912 of 30 June 2020 on the temporary restriction on non-essential travel into the EU and the possible lifting of such restriction

- Adoption

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Delegations are informed that the written procedure, opened by CM 2830/20 of 14 July 2020, was completed on 16 July 2020 at 14.00 and that all delegations voted in favour of the adoption of the Council Recommendation amending Council Recommendation (EU) 2020/912 of 30 June 2020 on the temporary restriction on non-essential travel into the EU and the possible lifting of such restriction (set out in document 9596/20), except for the Cyprus, Croatian, Polish and Slovenian delegations that abstained.

The required reinforced qualified majority has been reached. Therefore, the above Council Recommendation is adopted.

The statement by Portugal is reproduced in the Annex to this CM.

The above statement will be included in the summary of acts adopted by the written procedure as statements to be entered in the Council minutes, in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

**Statement by the Portuguese Delegation**

Portugal maintains its position of principle that the reopening of the internal borders should precede any decisions on lifting the restrictions on non-essential travel into the European Union, the adoption of Council Recommendation (EU) 2020/912 being one such decision.

With regard to Council Recommendation (EU) 2020/912, Portugal continues to consider that the application of the criteria included therein would allow for the lifting of restrictions on third countries that are not on the current list of countries whose residents should not be affected by the temporary restriction on non-essential travel into the European Union.

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