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Subject:	EARLY WARNING Full Powers for the signing of the Comprehensive Air Transport Agreement between the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, and the European Union and its Member States and of the Record of Statements made on the occasion of the signature (ST 8896/22, ST 8974/22)

Member States are informed that the Council Decision concerning the signing of the abovementioned Agreement and of the Record of Statements made on the occasion of the signature is foreseen to be adopted in early September 2022. The signing by the EU and the Third Parties is envisaged to take place in mid-October.

Member States are required to sign the Agreement and the Record of Statements beforehand. For this purpose, the Agreement and the Record of Statements will be available for Member States' Permanent Representatives to sign in the margins of consecutive Coreper II meetings in September 2022. These dates will be confirmed once the date of Council adoption has been established.

Member States are requested, if required *, to ensure that an instrument of Full Powers, authorising their respective plenipotentiary to sign, is duly issued and deposited with the Council's Treaties and Agreements Office ¹.

* Full Powers are required to be issued to any plenipotentiary who is not a Head of State, Head of Government or a Minister for Foreign Affairs (see Article 7 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties). However, those Member States' Permanent Representatives who have communicated to the General Secretariat of the Council a general authorisation from their authorities to sign EU Agreements on behalf of their country are exempt from this requirement.

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