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#### **WRITTEN PROCEDURE**

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Subject: **Written Procedure with reply until Monday, 23 November, 2020 at 12:00 (noon) CET (Brussels time) by e-mail to LIFE.3@consilium.europa.eu**

Position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the International Sugar Council concerning the renewal of the appointment of the current Executive Director of the International Sugar Organisation

- Adoption

= Initiation of written procedure

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Following the decision of the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) on 18 November 2020 to use the written procedure, please state whether you **approve** that **the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the International Sugar Council concerning the renewal of the appointment of the Executive Director of the International Sugar Organization (ISO) is as follows:**

1) The EU shall not object to the renewal of the appointment of Mr José Orive as Executive Director of the ISO for one additional term (i.e. until 31 December 2025), on an exceptional basis, on the condition that the Commission has been given sufficient assurances that the implementation of the reform of the International Sugar Agreement shall be completed during that term.

The Commission will also seek a formal agreement that there will be no further renewal of the term of the current Executive Director and that the term of future Executive Directors shall be subject to maximum one renewal.

2) In the event that sufficient assurances cannot be obtained by the Commission, the EU shall request to postpone the decision on the renewal to the next meeting of the ISO Council. If that request is not accepted, the EU shall vote against the renewal of the appointment of the current Executive Director.

**Please answer YES or NO**

You may find additional information in the Annex of document 12748/20.

Any unilateral statements should be made at the same time as answering the question.

Replies must reach the General Secretariat of the Council **by Monday, 23 November at 12.00 (noon)** CET (Brussels time) and should be sent by email to [LIFE.3@consilium.europa.eu](mailto:LIFE.3@consilium.europa.eu).

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