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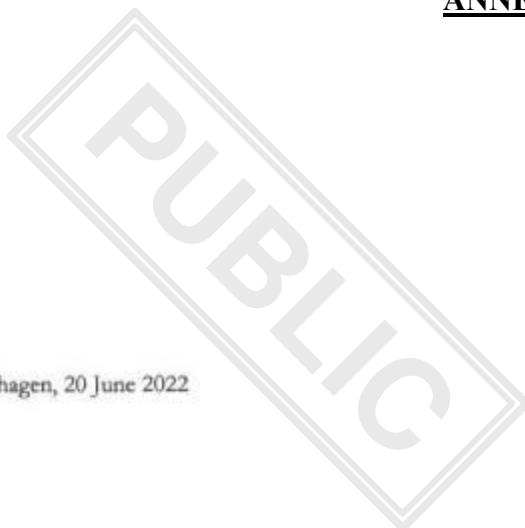
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NOTE

From: Denmark
To: Delegations
Subject: Letter to Member States - End of the Danish EU defence opt-out

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Delegations will find in Annex a letter from the Danish Minister of Foreign Affairs to Members of the Council of the European Union, informing that Denmark will abolish its EU defence opt-out effective 1 July 2022.



Copenhagen, 20 June 2022

Dear colleagues,

In accordance with Article 7 of Protocol No 22 on the position of Denmark, I have the pleasure of informing you that Denmark as per 1 July 2022 no longer wishes to avail itself of Part II of Protocol No 22, consisting of article 5, regarding decisions and actions of the European Union which have defence implications.

I am pleased that Denmark with its change of status regarding the Common Security and Defence Policy will move closer to the core of the European Union. On behalf of the Danish government, I look forward to the future cooperation with you on this matter.

In order to facilitate preparations, I am copying the President of the European Council, the President of the European Commission as well as the President of the European Parliament and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.

Yours sincerely,



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Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark

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