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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding on Strategic partnership on energy
between the European Union and Tunisia
- Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument
- Decision to use the written procedure

1. On 9 November 2023, the Council approved the Commission's intention to enter into negotiations on a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on a Strategic Partnership on energy between the European Union and Tunisia (doc. 12661/23).
2. On 30 May 2024, the Commission presented to the Mashreq/Maghreb (MaMa) Working Party the draft MoU (doc 10494/24).
3. At its meeting on 3 June, MaMa agreed, for its part, the draft MoU as set out in doc. 10502/24.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to:

- confirm its agreement on the draft MoU as set out in doc. 10502/24, subject to possible small amendments to the text as a result of the negotiations with Tunisia but without changes in substance.

 - to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, that, in view of the urgency of the matter, the Council uses the written procedure for the authorisation of the signing by the Commission, on behalf of the European Union, of the Memorandum of Understanding on a Strategic Partnership on energy between the European Union and Tunisia.
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