Council of the European Union

'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	ACP Working Party
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	ST 10782/23 - COM(2023) 339 final
Subject:	Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors, with regard to amending Decision No 3/2019 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors to adopt transitional measures pursuant to Article 95(4) of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement - Adoption

1. On 16 June 2023, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors, with regard to amending Decision No 3/2019 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors of 17 December 2019 to adopt transitional measures pursuant to Article 95(4) of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement (ST 10782/23).

2. On 20 June 2023, the ACP Working Party reached an agreement at its level on the proposal.

3.   The Permanent Representatives Committee is invited accordingly to recommend that the Council, at one of its upcoming meetings:

–   adopt the draft Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors, with regard to amending Decision No 3/2019 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors to adopt transitional measures pursuant to Article 95(4) of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, as set out after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts in document ST 10680/23;

–   order publication of the Council Decision in the Official Journal;

–   inform the European Parliament of the adoption of the Council Decision;

–   order the publication of the ACP-EU Decision, once adopted, in the Official Journal.

Following the adoption by the Council, a draft ACP-EU Decision will be sent to the ACP side for adoption by the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors by exchange of letters.

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