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To:	Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
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Subject:	Annex to the proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Joint Committee established by the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community as regards the adoption of a decision adding a newly adopted Union act to Annex 2 to the Windsor Framework

Delegations will find attached document COM(2025) 389 annex.

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Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION

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DECISION No .../2025 OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY THE AGREEMENT
ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND
NORTHERN IRELAND FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE EUROPEAN ATOMIC
ENERGY COMMUNITY

of ...

adding a newly adopted Union act to Annex 2 to the Windsor Framework

THE JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community¹ (the ‘Withdrawal Agreement’), and in particular Article 13(4) of the Windsor Framework²,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 13(4) of the Windsor Framework empowers the Joint Committee established under Article 164(1) of the Withdrawal Agreement (the ‘Joint Committee’) to adopt decisions adding newly adopted Union acts falling within the scope of the Windsor Framework to the relevant Annexes to the Windsor Framework.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 166(2) of the Withdrawal Agreement, the decisions adopted by the Joint Committee are binding on the Union and the United Kingdom. The Union and the United Kingdom are to implement such decisions, which have the same legal effect as the Withdrawal Agreement.
- (3) Regulation (EU) 2024/3015 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 on prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market and amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937³ is a newly adopted Union act falling within the scope of the Windsor Framework which should be added to Annex 2 to the Windsor Framework. This does not apply to Article 36 of that Regulation.

¹ OJ L 29, 31.1.2020, p.7, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/treaty/withd_2020/sign.

² Joint Declaration No 1/2023 of the Union and the United Kingdom in the Joint Committee established by the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community of 24 March 2023, (OJ L 102, 17.4.2023, p. 87).

³ OJ L, 2024/3015, 12.12.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/3015/oj>.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Regulation (EU) 2024/3015 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 on prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market and amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937, with the exception of Article 36 thereof, shall be added to Annex 2 to the Windsor Framework under point 47 ‘Other’.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following the date of its adoption.

Done at ...,

For the Joint Committee

The Co-chairs