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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the

Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the

United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union

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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2022/...

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on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement
between the European Union and the United States of America
pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994
relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff rate quotas
included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence
of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 207(4), first subparagraph, in conjunction with Article 218(5) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

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Whereas:

- On 15 June 2018 the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the United States of America for an Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the Union ('the Agreement').
- (2) The negotiations were successfully concluded on 12 July 2022 by the initialling of the Agreement.
- (3) The Agreement should be signed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The signing on behalf of the Union of the Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union is hereby authorised, subject to the conclusion of the said Agreement¹⁺.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Union.

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The text of the Agreement will be published together with the decision on its conclusion.

⁺ Delegations: see document ST 11724/22.

Article 3

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

Done at ...,

For the Council
The President