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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Submission by Spain for formal approval by the Council of draft design for 2 euro commemorative coin

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1. Pursuant to Article 10 of Council Regulation (EU) No 729/2014 of 24 June 2014 on denominations and technical specifications of euro coins intended for circulation[1] (hereafter 'the Council Regulation'), Spain submits, through the General Secretariat of the Council, the draft design for:

   - a new 2 euro commemorative coin, intended to be issued in 2023, dedicated to UNESCO World Heritage cultural and natural sites in Spain, notably the old town of Cáceres (the draft design is set out in the Annex to the present note).

2. In accordance with Article 10(4) of the Council Regulation, any Member State whose currency is the euro may, in a reasoned opinion addressed to the Council and to the Commission, raise an objection to the draft design proposed by the issuing Member State if that draft design is likely to create adverse reactions among its citizens.

[1] OJ L 194, 2.7.2014, p. 1.

3. In accordance with Article 10(5) of the Council Regulation, where the Commission considers that the draft design does not respect the technical requirements set out by the Council Regulation, it shall submit a negative assessment to the Council.

4. If no reasoned opinion or negative assessment has been submitted to the Council by 2 September 2022, the decision approving the design shall be deemed to be adopted by the Council on the first day following the expiry of this time limit, pursuant to Article 10(6) of the Council Regulation.[2]

5. An Information Note to the Council acknowledging the end of this procedure and setting out the results will be issued by the General Secretariat of the Council.

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[2] The seven-day time limit and the date of adoption referred to in Article 10 of Council Regulation (EU) No 729/2014 are determined in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 1182/71 of 3 June 1971 determining the rules applicable to periods, dates and time limits (*OJ L 124, 8.6.1971, p. 1)*.

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Madrid, August 25th 2022

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 729/2014 of 24 June 2014 and the Council Regulation (EU) No. 651/2012 of 4 July 2012, Fábrica Nacional de Moneda y Timbre-Real Casa de la Moneda of Spain hereby submits the design of the national side of a 2-euro commemorative coin intended to be issued in 2023.

The coin will be dedicated to UNESCO'S WORLD CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE SITES in Spain. The Old Town of Cáceres is an urban ensemble located in the Autonomous Community of Extremadura in the west of the Iberian Peninsula, was registered on the World Heritage Site list for being unique due to its historic features, which (from the Middle Ages to the classical period) bear the traces of highly diverse and contradictory influences, such as Northern Gothic, Islamic, Italian Renaissance and arts of the New World.

The national side of the coin depicts a panoramic view of the monumental complex, especifically of the main square. At the top of the centre and in capital letters the word "ESPAÑA" and the year of minting 2023. On the upper right hand the mint mark. At the bottom of the centre and in capital letters the word "CACERES".

The edge lettering of the coin will be the same as on the regular 2-euro circulation coins issued by Spain.

The estimated mintage is 1,500,000 pieces

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The date of issuance is estimated to be the first quarter of 2023.

We request the EU Institutions (and the competent authorities of the EA MS) not to disclose the submitted draft national design and the correspondence related thereto to the public prior to the publication of the final desing in the Official Journal of the EU.

Please find attached a copy of the design.

Best regards,

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EMISIÓN: 2 EURO 2023 - CÁCERES. Ciudad Patrimonio de la Humanidad por la Unesco en 1986

ANVERSO

MOTIVO: Panorámica del conjunto monumental.

VALOR FACIAL: 2 EURO

MÉTRICA: 25,75 mm

BOCETO: 2

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