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From:	ACP Working Party
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Council Decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Joint Council established by the Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the SADC EPA States, of the other part, as regards the adjustment of certain reference quantities set out in Annex IV to that agreement - Adoption

1. On 5 October 2020, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken, on behalf of the EU, in the Joint Council established under the Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the SADC EPA States, of the other part, as regards the adjustment of certain reference quantities contained in Annex IV of the EPA.

2. The members of the ACP Working Party discussed the abovementioned proposal on 13 and 27 October 2020 and agreed on the text of the draft Council Decision.

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

– adopt the Council Decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Joint Council established by the Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the SADC EPA States, of the other part, as regards the adjustment of certain reference quantities set out in Annex IV to that agreement, as set out in documents 12375/20 and 12376/20, after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts;

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

– order that the decision of the EU-SADC Joint Council, once adopted, be published in the Official Journal;

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