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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in response to the recognition of the non-government controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts of Ukraine and the ordering of Russian armed forces into those areas

1. On 23 February 2022, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2022/266 and Regulation (EU) 2022/263 concerning restrictive measures in response to the recognition of the non-government controlled areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts of Ukraine and the ordering of Russian armed forces into those areas.
2. On 30 September 2022, the members of the European Council adopted a statement in which they firmly rejected and unequivocally condemned the illegal annexation by Russia of Ukraine's Donetsk, Luhansk, Zaporizhzhia and Kherson regions.
3. The title of Decision (CFSP) 2022/266 and Regulation (EU) 2022/263 should be amended and the geographical scope of the restrictions contained therein should be extended to cover all the non-government controlled areas of Ukraine in the oblasts of Donetsk, Luhansk, Zaporizhzhia and Kherson.

4. On 28 September 2022, the High Representative submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision amending Decision (CFSP) 2022/266 (doc. 12798/22). On the same day, the High Representative and the Commission submitted to the Council a joint proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2022/263 (doc. 12800/22).
5. Coreper is therefore invited to:
- agree the text of the Council Decision and Regulation, as set out respectively in documents 12799/22 and 12801/22;
 - decide, given the urgency and in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, that the Council use the written procedure to:
 - adopt the Council Decision amending Decision (CFSP) 2022/266 concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal recognition, occupation or annexation by the Russian Federation of certain non-government controlled areas of Ukraine as set out, after finalisation of the text by the legal/linguistic experts, in document 12799/22;
 - adopt the Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2022/263 concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal recognition, occupation or annexation by the Russian Federation of certain non-government controlled areas of Ukraine as set out, after finalisation of the text by the legal/linguistic experts, in document 12801/22.