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| From: | General Secretariat of the Council |
| To: | Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) |
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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<br>*- Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption* |

1. On 18 November, the Permanent Representative Committee (Part 2) recommended the Council to 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.

2. Due to the COVID-19 situation and in the absence of physical Council meetings, in view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision 2020/430, and extended by Decisions (EU) 2020/556, (EU) 2020/702, (EU) 2020/970 and (EU) 2020/1253, that the Council uses the written procedure for the adoption of the above Council Decision.