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From:	ACP Working Party
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Council Decision establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union in the EPA Committee set up by the interim agreement with a view to an Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Central Africa Party, of the other part, in connection with the adoption of the list of arbitrators - Adoption

1. On 25 July 2019, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union in the EPA Committee set up by the interim agreement with a view to an Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Central Africa Party, of the other part, in connection with the adoption of the list of arbitrators (11489/19 + ADD 1).

2. On 19 September 2019, the ACP Working Party reached agreement on the proposal.

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

– adopt the draft Council Decision establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union in the EPA Committee set up by the interim agreement with a view to an Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Central Africa Party, of the other part, in connection with the adoption of the list of arbitrators, as set out after finalisation by the Legal/Linguistic experts in document 12350/19;

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

– order that the decision of the EPA Committee, once adopted, be published in the Official Journal;

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