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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Submission by Portugal for formal approval by the Council of draft designs for two 2 euro commemorative coins

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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 circulation¹ (hereafter 'the Council Regulation'), Portugal submits, through the General Secretariat of the Council, the draft designs for:
 - a new 2 euro commemorative coin, intended to be issued in 2023, dedicated to Peace among nations and to friendly and mutually beneficial coexistence (the draft design is set out in the Annex to the present note); and
 - a new 2 euro commemorative coin, intended to be issued in 2023, dedicated to the World Youth Day that will be celebrated in Lisbon in August 2023 (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 3 November 2022, the decision approving the two above-mentioned designs 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.

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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SUBJECT

New national sides - Portuguese 2 Euro commemorative coins 2023

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, the *Portuguese Mint* hereby submits the design of the national side of the first of the two 2-euro commemorative coins intended to be issued in 2023.

One of the 2 coins is dedicated to Peace among nations and to friendly and mutually beneficial coexistence. The search for peace must sit on a collective effort towards a common purpose. In the current highly polarized geopolitical context, we hope that this coin will help remind of the urgency to protect the priceless asset that is peace.

The national side of the coin radially displays the word «PAZ» (PEACE) in the 16 official idioms spoken in all 20 countries of the Euro Zone as of January 2023.

The edge inscription to the right of the vertical axis reads «PORTUGAL», «2023»; and to the left the name of its designer and the Mintmark «CASA DA MOEDA», the name of the Portuguese Mint.



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The other coin is dedicated to the World Youth Day (WYD), that will be held in Lisbon in August 2023. WYD is a worldwide encounter of young people, who want to take part in a festive gathering with the Pope and with hundreds of thousands of other youths who share the same universal principles of peace, union and fraternity all around the world.

The estimated mintage is 1,000,000 units, to be distributed at face value, 7,500 units in Brilliant Uncirculated finishing and 7,500 units in Proof finishing to be sold to collectors.

The national side of the coin depicts the Pilgrim Cross, a set of human-like figures of different sizes and textures displayed as in a globe. At the bottom, two hands envelop the whole in a welcoming gesture of the inclusion and universality that is implied in this gathering.

On the top edge, two labels read «JORNADA MUNDIAL DA JUVENTUDE» (Portuguese for WORLD YOUTH DAY) and «LISBOA 2023». On the bottom edge, the coat of arms of Portugal, the label «PORTUGAL», the Mintmark «CASA DA MOEDA» (the name of the Portuguese Mint) and the name of the designer.

The estimated mintage is also 1,000,000 units, to be distributed at face value, plus 7,500 units in Brilliant Uncirculated finishing and 7,500 units in Proof finishing to be sold to collectors.

In the event of a request for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, we allow the EU institutions to disclose the submitted draft national design and the correspondence related thereto to the public prior to the publication of the final design in the Official Journal of the EU.

Best regards,

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