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From:	Romanian Delegation
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Delegations will find attached a note submitted by the Romanian delegation on “The full application of the Schengen acquis in Romania”.

Full application of the Schengen acquis in Romania

In its State of Schengen report 2023, the European Commission has included the completion of the Schengen area with a Council decision on the full application of the Schengen acquis to Bulgaria and Romania, taken before the end of 2023, among the priority actions for the 2023/2024 Schengen cycle.

This call has been firmly renewed by the President of the COM in her recent address on the State of the Union, calling for Schengen enlargement with Romania and Bulgaria, without any further delay. Therefore, the Schengen enlargement remains a top priority on the JHA current agenda.

Furthermore, since the veto in the December JHA Council, Romania pursued its efforts to facilitate the adoption of the Decision concerning the full application of the Schengen acquis.

Romania would like to inform all Member States on the additional steps taken in the last 10 months in order to foster the adoption of the respective Decision, in spirit of full constructiveness and commitment.
