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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations

Subject:	Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part Agreement between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning security procedures for exchanging and protecting classified information – Statement by the Council for the minutes
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Delegations will find attached the above statement. This statement is identical to the one set out in doc. ST 14359/20 Annex A.

Statement by the Council for the minutes

"It is noted that the Council has decided that the Trade and Cooperation Agreement and the Security of Information Agreement (the 'Agreements') shall be applied on a provisional basis as from 1 January 2021.

The Council will therefore exercise its powers under Article 218 TFEU to conduct the scrutiny and complete the conclusion process of those Agreements as diligently and smoothly as possible.

During this process, the Commission is requested, in accordance with Article 241 TFEU, to submit appropriate proposals to ensure that the Partnership Council allows for the Agreements to be provisionally applied until the completion by the Union of the procedures necessary for their entry into force, including the final legal-linguistic revision of all their language versions and the establishment of such finally revised language versions as authentic and definitive by the Parties."
