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Subject:	Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1683/95 as regards the digitalisation of the visa procedure – notification from Switzerland

Delegations will find attached the notification from Switzerland regarding the above-mentioned Regulation.

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The Mission of Switzerland to the European Union presents its compliments to the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union and herewith confirms receipt of the notification of the Council dated 13 November 2023, issued in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2 a, first sentence of the agreement between the European Union, the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on the Swiss Confederation's association with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis (hereinafter referred to as « association agreement ») signed in Luxembourg on 26 October 2004. The content of the notification is as follows:

> « In accordance with the first sentence of Article 7(2)(a) in conjunction with Article 14(1) of the Agreement associating Switzerland to the Schengen acquis, Switzerland is herewith notified of the adoption of the following act:
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> Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1683/95, as regards the digitalisation of the visa procedure
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> Documents of the Council: PE-CONS 45/23
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> Date of adoption: 13.11.2023 »

In accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2 a, second sentence of the association agreement, the Mission of Switzerland to the European Union herewith notifies the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union that Switzerland accepts the content of the enclosed appendix to the notification of the Council, which forms an integral part of this reply, and will implement it in its internal legal order.

In accordance with Article 7, paragraph 3 of the association agreement, the notification of the Council dated 13 November 2023 and this reply give rise to rights and obligations between Switzerland and the European Union and thus constitute an agreement between Switzerland and the European Union.

This agreement shall enter into force on the date of this reply. It may be denounced in accordance with the provisions of Articles 7 and 17 of the association agreement.

General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union
Directorate general
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A copy of the present note is addressed to the European Commission, General Secretariat, SG.B.2, Brussels.

The Mission of Switzerland to the European Union avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union the assurances of its highest consideration.

Brussels, 13 December 2023