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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council
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Subject:	High-level agreement between the EU and Ukraine on the adaptation of the indicative map of neighbouring countries within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 (TEN-T Regulation) - Authorisation to negotiate an NBI

1. On 7 January 2022, the Working Party on Transport - Intermodal Questions and Networks was informed by the Commission, by means of a note¹, of its intention to enter into negotiations on a high-level agreement between the EU and Ukraine on transport infrastructure networks with a view to adopting, following the signature of that non-binding instrument, a delegated act, which will adapt the existing indicative map of Ukraine within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 (TEN-T Regulation).

¹ ST 5121/22.

2. Ukraine has informed the Commission that it wishes to make changes to this indicative map. A high-level agreement between the EU and Ukraine was signed on 24 November 2017; indicative maps were subsequently adopted and annexed to the TEN-T Regulation.²
3. The changes requested by Ukraine to the TEN-T indicative map of its territory concern railway, inland waterway and road infrastructure.
4. The Commission's note on this subject was discussed by the Working Party on 13 January 2022. Some delegations asked for more information on the location of the sections concerned by Ukraine's request. This information was subsequently shared with the delegations. No objections were raised by any delegation to authorising the Commission to start the negotiations.
5. It is understood that the Commission will revert to the Council at the end of the negotiations to seek the Council's authorisation for the signature of the high-level agreement on behalf of the EU.
6. In the light of the foregoing, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to suggest that the Council authorise the Commission to negotiate the above-mentioned high-level agreement between the EU and Ukraine.

² Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/254 of 9 November 2018 on the adaptation of Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network (OJ L 43, 14.2.2019, p.1).