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#### 'I' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Notification by the European Union made in accordance with the 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

The Trade and Cooperation Agreement provides for notifications to be made by the Parties. Article 13 of the Council Decision (EU) 2020/2252 of 29 December 2020<sup>1</sup> specifies that the President of the Council shall, on behalf of the Union, give the notification(s) provided for in the Trade and Cooperation Agreement. A first notification was approved by the Council and notified to the UK. A second notification is to be made by the end of January 2021.

The Member States submitted the relevant information regarding their choices made for the purpose of the application of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement, and their comments on the first draft of the text to be notified to the United Kingdom, as set out in document WK 810/2021.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/2252 of 29 December 2020 on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and on provisional application of the 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, and of the Agreement between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning security procedures for exchanging and protecting classified information (OJ L 444, 31.12.2020, p. 2–10)

Based on the document WK 810/2021 and the comments received from the Member States, the final text to be notified to the United Kingdom is set out in document ST 5501/1/21 REV 1.

The Permanent Representatives' Committee is therefore invited to:

- a) confirm its agreement on the text of the notification by the European Union under the Trade and Cooperation Agreement, as set out in document ST 5501/1/21 REV 1;
- b) decide, in accordance with Article 12 of the Council's Rules of Procedure, and Article 1 of Council Decision (EU) 2021/26 of 12 January 2021<sup>2</sup>, that the Council use the written procedure for the approval of the text of the notification referred to in point (a);
- c) decide to publish the notification referred to in point (a) in the Official Journal of the European Union.

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<sup>2</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2021/26 of 12 January 2021 further extending the temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure introduced by Decision (EU) 2020/430, and extended by Decisions (EU) 2020/556, (EU) 2020/702, (EU) 2020/970, (EU) 2020/1253 and (EU) 2020/1659, in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 11, 14.1.2021, p. 19–20).