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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject: COUNCIL DECISION amending Decision 1999/70/EC concerning the external auditors of the national central banks, as regards the external auditors of Eesti Pank
- Adoption

~~Text from the I/A item note nr 6170/21 for the same subject in 2021, please update~~

2.1. Pursuant to Article 27.1 of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks (ESCB) and the European Central Bank (ECB), the accounts of the ECB and national central banks of the Member States whose currency is the euro are to be audited by independent external auditors recommended by the Governing Council of the ECB and approved by the Council of the European Union.

3.2. On ~~12 December 2025~~^{4 February 2021}, the ECB Governing Council recommended that ~~KPMG Baltics OÜ~~^{Ernst & Young Baltic AS} be appointed as the external auditors of Eesti Pank for the financial years 202~~6~~¹ to 20~~30~~²⁵.

4.3. The Permanent Representatives Committee could therefore invite the Council to adopt, as an 'A' item at one of its forthcoming meetings, the relevant Decision as finalised by the lawyer-linguists in document ST 5107/26.