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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Endorsement of the Statement on Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial intelligence for People and the Planet of the Artificial Intelligence Action Summit (Paris 10-11 February 2025) - Approval of an NBI - Decision to use the written procedure

1. The AI Action Summit follows from the Bletchley Park AI Safety Summit held in November 2023 and the AI Seoul Summit held in May 2024. It will be organised by France in Paris on 10 and 11 February 2025. One of the two days will be at the level of Heads of State and Government. The scope of this summit will be broader than that of the previous two summits, with five topics on which AI has an impact: AI for public interest; future of work; innovation and culture; trust in AI; and global governance.
2. On 19 November 2024, the Commission submitted to the Council a note on the Commission's intention to participate in the AI Action Summit and to endorse summit statements resulting from it, as outlined in document WK 14500/24. The Commission clarified that the statements would take the form of a non-binding instrument¹.

¹ Arrangements on non-binding instruments concluded by the Secretaries General of the Commission, the Council and the EEAS in December 2017 (ST 15367/17).

3. During its EPSCO session on 2 December 2024, the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate statements resulting from the AI Action Summit, as outlined in document WK 14500/24.
4. On 4 February 2025 the Commission submitted to the Council the final version of the Statement on Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet, to be endorsed at the AI Action Summit in Paris on 10 and 11 February 2025. Prior to this submission, the Commission presented draft versions of the Statement to the Working Party on Telecommunications and Information Society at its meetings on 14, 21 and 31 January 2025, during which the delegations were invited to discuss draft versions of the Statement and submit written feedback. The final version of the Statement on Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet submitted to the Council on 4 February 2025, as set out in document ST 05812/25 ADD 1, has been revised to reflect the feedback received from the delegations.
5. In the light of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to:
 - confirm its agreement that the Commission endorses the Statement on Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet, at the AI Action Summit, on behalf of the Union, as contained in document ST 05812/25 ADD 1; and
 - decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision 2020/430, that the Council uses the written procedure for the endorsement of the Statement on Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet on behalf of the Union, as contained in document ST 05812/25 ADD 1.