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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Delegations  
Subject: Submission by Latvia for formal approval by the Council of draft design for 2 euro commemorative coin

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1. Pursuant to Article 10 of Council Regulation (EU) No 729/2014 of 24 June 2014 on denominations and technical specifications of euro coins intended for circulation<sup>1</sup> (hereafter 'the Council Regulation'), Latvia submits, through the General Secretariat of the Council, the draft design for:
  - a new 2 euro commemorative coin, intended to be issued in 2025, dedicated to the historical and cultural region Sēlija (the draft design is set out in the Annex to the present note).
2. In accordance with Article 10(4) of the Council Regulation, any Member State whose currency is the euro may, in a reasoned opinion addressed to the Council and to the Commission, raise an objection to the draft design proposed by the issuing Member State if that draft design is likely to create adverse reactions among its citizens.
3. In accordance with Article 10(5) of the Council Regulation, where the Commission considers that the draft design does not respect the technical requirements set out by the Council Regulation, it shall submit a negative assessment to the Council.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 194, 2.7.2014, p. 1.

4. If no reasoned opinion or negative assessment has been submitted to the Council by 12 February 2025, the decision approving the design shall be deemed to be adopted by the Council on the first day following the expiry of this time limit, pursuant to Article 10(6) of the Council Regulation.<sup>2</sup>
5. An Information Note to the Council acknowledging the end of this procedure and setting out the results will be issued by the General Secretariat of the Council.

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<sup>2</sup> The seven-day time limit and the date of adoption referred to in Article 10 of Council Regulation (EU) No 729/2014 are determined in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 1182/71 of 3 June 1971 determining the rules applicable to periods, dates and time limits (OJ L 124, 8.6.1971, p. 1).

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Submission of a New Draft Design of the Latvian 2 Euro Commemorative Coin Dedicated to Sēlija

Dear all,

In accordance with Council Regulation (EU) No 729/2014 of 24 June 2014 and Regulation (EU) No 651/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012, Latvijas Banka would like to hereby submit the design of the national side of a 2 euro commemorative coin that is intended to be issued in 2025:

- The coin will be the 5th (last) coin in the series of 2 euro commemorative coins dedicated to the historical and cultural regions of Latvia. It will bear a depiction of the coat of arms of the country's historical and cultural region – **Sēlija**.

The series was started in 2016 with the 2 euro commemorative coin "Vidzeme".

The 12 stars are incorporated in the outer part of the design, set out as they are on the flag of the European Union. The lettering on the coin's edge will be the same as on regular 2 euro circulation coins issued by the Republic of Latvia. The individual mintage of the 2 euro commemorative coin (including in BU quality) is expected not to exceed 413 000 pieces. The coin's national side has been designed by Latvian artist Laimonis Šēnbergs.

Yours sincerely,

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## APPENDIX 1

2 euro commemorative coin dedicated to Sēlija



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