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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (EDIRPA)

1. On 2 February 2024, the Commission submitted the above-mentioned proposal to the Council.
2. On 6 February 2024, the Working Party on European Free Trade Association (EFTA) agreed on the substance of the proposal.
3. Against this backdrop, COREPER/the Council is invited to:
  - adopt Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (EDIRPA), as set out in documents 6333/24 + ADD1, prepared by the lawyer-linguists.
  - note that the European Parliament will be informed in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU, and that the Council Decision will be transmitted to the Parliament.