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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
On:	25 March 2021
No. Cion doc.:	6833/21 + ADD 1, 6834/21 + ADD 1
Subject:	<p>Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Argentine Republic pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff-rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union</p> <p>- Adoption</p> <p>and</p> <p>Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Argentine Republic pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff-rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union</p> <p>- Request for the consent of the European Parliament</p>

1. On 8 March 2021, the Commission submitted to the Council:
 - a) a proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the Union and the Argentine Republic relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union (doc. 6833/21 + ADD 1); and

- b) a proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the Union and the Argentine Republic relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union (doc. 6834/21 + ADD 1).
2. The Trade Policy Committee (Deputies) was consulted on these texts in writing and endorsed them as modified to take into account a number of necessary adjustments.
3. In light of the above, and subject to confirmation by the Permanent Representatives' Committee, the Council is invited to:
- adopt the Decision on the signing of the said Agreement, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in documents 6836/21 and 6838/21;
 - note that the European Parliament will be informed in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU and that the Council Decision on the signing will be transmitted to the European Parliament;
 - decide to forward the draft Decision on the conclusion of the said Agreement, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in documents 6837/21 and 6838/21, to the European Parliament for its consent.
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