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From: Tom Hanney, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the European Union  
On: 3 March 2023  
To: General Secretariat of the Council

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Subject: Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition of criminal offences and penalties for the violation of Union restrictive measures  
- Opt-in of Ireland

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Delegations will find in the Annex the letter addressed by Ireland notifying, pursuant to Title V of Part Three of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, that it wishes to take part in the adoption and application of any such proposed measure.

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Ms Thérèse Blanchet  
Secretary General  
Council of the European Union  
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2 March, 2023

Dear Secretary General,

I refer to the provisions of Protocol No. 21 to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice) and, in particular, Article 3.1 thereof, under which Ireland may notify the President of the Council in writing, within three months after a proposal or initiative has been presented to the Council pursuant to Title V of Part Three of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, that it wishes to take part in the adoption and application of any such proposed measure.

In that context, I wish to notify you that Ireland wishes to take part in the adoption and application of the following proposed measure;

***Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the definition of criminal offences and penalties for the violation of Union restrictive measures***

Yours sincerely,

Tom Hanney  
Permanent Representative of Ireland to the European Union

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