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## REPLY TO PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION

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Subject: AMENDMENT TO PRELIMINARY DRAFT REPLY TO QUESTION FOR  
WRITTEN ANSWER  
E-000778/2021 - Victor Negrescu (S&D)  
'Visa charging arrangements applied by the United Kingdom to citizens of  
certain EU countries'

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*Delegation - Author:* Romania

*Place:* First paragraph

*Amendment:*

The Council has not taken a position on this matter, nevertheless the Council has been informed about the specific issue raised by the Honourable Member at the Informal videoconference of the Ministers of European Affairs on 23 February 2021.

The Council remains seized of the matter, recalling the general principle of ensuring full reciprocity and non-discrimination among the Member States with regard to arrangements on mobility of natural persons, in line with the directives for negotiations contained in the addendum<sup>1</sup> to Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2020/266<sup>2</sup> of 25 February 2020 authorising the opening of negotiations with the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for a new partnership agreement.

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<sup>1</sup> 5870/20 ADD 1 REV 3

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 58, 27.2.2020, p. 53

Justification:

The specific issue raised by the Honourable Member was presented at the informal videoconference of the Ministers of European Affairs on 23 February 2021, under the point on the state of play of the EU-UK relations. It also recalls one of the general principles, as presented in the directives for negotiations, annexed to o Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2020/266 of 25 February 2020.

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