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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Council
On:	8 May 2025
Subject:	COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2025/...of XXXX 2025 on the appointment of four full-time Executive Board members of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority - Adoption

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1. On 29 January 2025 the Commission adopted a shortlist of candidates for the appointment of the five full-time members of the Executive Board of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority and provided it to the European Parliament. The Council was also informed of the shortlist.
2. Pursuant to Article 63(5) of Regulation (EU) No 2024/1620, the term of office of the members of the Executive Board of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority is to be 4 years.
3. On 11 March 2025, the General Board of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority adopted a proposal for the appointment of Mr Simonas KRĖPŠTA, Ms Rikke-Louise PETERSEN, Mr Marcus PLEYER, Ms Derville ROWLAND and Mr Juan Manuel VEGA SERRANO as members of the Board and submitted that proposal to the European Parliament for approval.
4. The European Parliament approved the proposal on 3 April 2025.
5. On 30 April 2025, the Permanent Representatives Committee invited the Council to adopt the draft Council implementing decision as set out in document ST 7981/25. However, on 8 May 2025, Mr Marcus PLEYER withdrew his candidacy. This prompts a need to revise the

Council implementing decision to appoint four, instead of five, of the members of the Executive Board of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority.

6. It is therefore suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee invite the Council to adopt the draft Council implementing decision as set out in document ST 7981/REV1/25.