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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision of appointing sixteen Members of the Management Board of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) - Adoption

1. On 6 May 2021, the Council¹ renewed for another four years the first term appointments and adopted new appointments for altogether twelve Members of the Management Board of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) for the period 1 June 2021 - 31 May 2025, in accordance with Article 79 of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006².

¹ Council Decision of 6 May 2021 appointing twelve members of the Management Board of the European Chemicals Agency, OJ C 185, 12.5.2021, p. 4–5;

² Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC, and 2000/21/EC (OJ L 396, 30.12.2006, p.1).

Respectively, by its previous Decision of 27 May 2001³, the Council appointed twelve Members of the Management Board. On the basis of the above Council Decisions, sixteen Members are due for a new mandate.

2. Between 31 January and 28 April 2023 the Council received the sixteen four-year nominations for a second term from Germany, Cyprus, Lithuania, Malta, Romania, Bulgaria, Poland, and Greece, and from France, Slovakia, Latvia, Portugal, Ireland, Estonia, Belgium, and Denmark for a new term for Membership of the Management Board of ECHA for the period from 1 June 2023 until 31 May 2027.
3. Against this background, it is recommended that the Permanent Representatives Committee invite the Council:
 - to adopt the Council Decision as set out in document ST 8076/23 (text revised by the legal/linguistic experts) as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings;
 - to agree this Decision to be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

³ Council Decision of 27 May 2019 appointing 15 members of the Management Board of the European Chemicals Agency (OJ C 185, 27.05.2019, p.1).