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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Council Implementing Decision on repealing Implementing Decision (EU) 2024/1341 on the suspension of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) No 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council in respect of Ethiopia
- Adoption

1. On 20 April 2026, the Commission submitted a proposal for a Council Implementing Decision on repealing Implementing Decision (EU) 2024/1341 on the suspension of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) No 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council in respect of Ethiopia¹.
2. On a number of occasions at the Integration, Migration and Expulsion (IMEX Expulsion) working party meetings, including at its meeting held on 16 April 2026, Member States assessed that Ethiopia's readmission cooperation has increased substantially and sustainably and called on the Commission to table the above-mentioned proposal for repealing the restrictive visa measures.

¹ 8372/26

3. At the Visa Working Party meeting on 4 May 2026, following the Commission's presentation of the above-mentioned proposal for a Council Implementing Decision, delegations approved it.
4. In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol No 22 on the position of Denmark, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Denmark is not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and is not bound by it or subject to its application. Given that this Decision builds upon the Schengen *acquis*, Denmark shall, in accordance with Article 4 of that Protocol, decide within a period of six months after the Council has decided on this Decision whether it will implement it in its national law.
5. This Decision constitutes a development of the provisions of the Schengen *acquis* in which Ireland does not take part, in accordance with Council Decision 2002/192/EC; Ireland is therefore not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and is not bound by it or subject to its application.
6. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to suggest that the Council adopt, the abovementioned Implementing Decision as finalised by the legal/linguistic experts and set out in document 8648/26 as an "A" item on the agenda of a forthcoming meeting.

The Implementing Decision will be published in the Official Journal in accordance with the applicable rules.
