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From: General Secretariat of the Council

To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)

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Subject: Security and Defence Partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  
- Authorisation for the agreement to the proposed Non-Binding Instrument

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1. On 2 May 2025 the European External Action Service (EEAS) submitted to the Council a draft Security and Defence Partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland with the aim to enter into negotiations with the United Kingdom on the basis of that draft.<sup>1</sup>
2. On 7 May 2025 the Permanent Representatives Committee held an exchange of views on that draft Security and Defence Partnership and approved that negotiations with the United Kingdom could start.

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<sup>1</sup> WK-R 5584/25

3. The EEAS informed the Permanent Representatives Committee on 14 May 2025 on the progress of negotiations.
4. With a view to allowing that an agreement on the Security and Defence Partnership can be found at the EU-UK summit taking place on 19 May 2025, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to discuss the outcome of the negotiations on the text, as contained in document ST 8709/25<sup>1</sup>, and in the light of that discussion, consider to:
  - confirm its agreement on the text of the draft Security and Defence Partnership as set out in document ST 8709/25; and
  - agree to use the written procedure pursuant to Article 12 of the Council's Rules of Procedure for the approval of this text by the Council.

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<sup>1</sup> The text is identical to the text contained in WK 6533/25.