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Subject:	Proposal for a Council Decision on the renewal of the Agreement on cooperation in science and technology between the European Community and the Government of the Russian Federation - Adoption

1. On 21 January 2019, the Commission submitted to the Council its proposal concerning the renewal of the Agreement on cooperation in science and technology between the European Community and the Government of the Russian Federation.

2. Following its meeting on 15 March 2019, the Research Working Party has examined the proposal for renewal of the Agreement.

3. On 19 March 2019, the Council agreed to request the consent of the EP. On 1 April 2019, the revised text of the Decision was submitted to the EP.

4. The EP, at its plenary session on 17 April 2019, gave its consent.

5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is thus invited to suggest that the Council, in part "A" of the agenda of a forthcoming meeting, adopt the draft decision on the renewal of this Agreement as set out in document 7683/19.

6. The President of the Council shall - when notifying the Government of the Russian Federation that the Union has completed its internal procedures necessary for the renewal of the Agreement in accordance with point (b) of Article 12 of the Agreement - also refer to the text of the draft *Note Verbale,* as approved by Coreper and as set out in document 10749/14, on the territorial scope of the Agreement.