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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision confirming the participation of Denmark in PESCO, and amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/2315 establishing PESCO and determining the list of participating Member States

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1. On 11 December 2017, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2017/2315 establishing permanent structured cooperation (PESCO) and determining the list of participating Member States.
2. Article 46(3) of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) provides that any Member State which, at a later stage, wishes to participate in the permanent structured cooperation (PESCO) is to notify its intention to the Council and to the High Representative.
3. On 23 March 2023, the Council and the High Representative received a notification in accordance with Article 46(3) of the TEU from Denmark, that Denmark has the intention to participate in PESCO and that it is able to meet the commitments referred to in Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol n° 10 to the Treaties, on permanent structured cooperation established by Article 42 of the TEU.

4. On 8 May 2023, the HR submitted to the Council a Proposal for a Council Decision confirming the participation of Denmark in PESCO, and amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/2315 establishing PESCO and determining the list of participating Member States (doc. 9100/23), together with an Opinion on the Notification from Denmark on its intention to participate in PESCO (doc.9178/2023).
5. On 15 May 2023, the Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors (RELEX) agreed the text of the draft Council Decision.
6. In these circumstances, COREPER is invited to:
- confirm the agreement on the text of the draft Council Decision;
  - recommend that the Council adopt the Council Decision confirming the participation of Denmark in PESCO, and amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/2315 establishing PESCO and determining the list of participating Member States, after finalisation of the text by the legal/linguistic experts, in document 9101/23;
  - decide to publish the Council Decision in the Official Journal.