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Subject:	Council Implementing Decision on repealing Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2459 on the application of an increased visa fee with respect to The Gambia – notification from Switzerland

Delegations will find attached the notification from Switzerland regarding the above-mentioned Council Implementing Decision.

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The Mission of Switzerland to the European Union presents its compliments to the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union and herewith confirms receipt of the notification of the Council dated 12 April 2024, issued in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2 a, first sentence of the agreement between the European Union, the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on the Swiss Confederation's association with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis (hereinafter referred to as « association agreement ») signed in Luxembourg on 26 October 2004. The content of the notification is as follows:

> « In accordance with the first sentence of Article 7(2)(a) in conjunction with Article 14(1) of the Agreement associating Switzerland to the Schengen acquis, Switzerland is herewith notified of the adoption of the following act:
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> Council Implementing Decision on repealing Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2459 on the application of an increased visa fee with respect to The Gambia
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> Council Document: 16980/23 + COR 1
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> Date of adoption: 12 April 2024 »

In accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2 a, second sentence of the association agreement, the Mission of Switzerland to the European Union herewith notifies the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union that Switzerland accepts the content of the enclosed appendix to the notification of the Council, which forms an integral part of this reply.

In accordance with Article 7, paragraph 3 of the association agreement, the notification of the Council dated 12 April 2024 and this reply give rise to rights and obligations between Switzerland and the European Union and thus constitute an agreement between Switzerland and the European Union.

General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union
Directorate general
Justice and Home Affairs
Brussels

This agreement shall enter into force on the date of this reply. It may be denounced in accordance with the provisions of Articles 7 and 17 of the association agreement.

As from the date of the entry into force of this agreement, the exchange of notes of 11 January 2023 between Switzerland and the European Union regarding the acceptance of Council implementing decision (EU) 2022/2459 on the application of an increased visa fee with respect to The Gambia shall be terminated.

A copy of the present note is addressed to the European Commission, General Secretariat, SG.B.2, Brussels.

The Mission of Switzerland to the European Union avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union the assurances of its highest consideration.

Brussels, 10 May 2024

