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Delegations will find attached the partially declassified version of the above-mentioned document.



**ANNEX**

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1. On 26 July 2006, COASI agreed to initiate proceedings towards the accession to the ASEAN Treaty of Amity and Cooperation (TAC)<sup>1</sup>. Thereafter, COASI, on 20 and 27 September, and COREPER, at meetings on 4 and 12 October discussed the legal basis for the accession by the European Union and the European Community.

2. On 31 October, COREPER took the decision that the accession would be based on Articles 24 Treaty of the European Union and 300 Treaty of the European Community respectively. COREPER also agreed that there should be a declaration to the Council minute (see ANNEX II).

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<sup>1</sup> The TAC of 1976 and the two amending Protocols of 1987 and 1998 can be found on [www.aseansec.org](http://www.aseansec.org)

3. On 22 November, COASI examined draft texts of authorizations and, on 24 November, COASI agreed the attached draft authorization to the Presidency to negotiate the EU's accession to the TAC (see ANNEX I) and the draft authorization to the Commission to negotiate the EC's TAC accession as set out in ANNEX III.

4. Bearing in mind the need to ensure consistency between EU and EC accession to the TAC and in view of the provisions of Article 24 TEU, it is suggested that the Commission should assist in the negotiation of the EU accession to TAC.

5. COREPER is therefore invited to examine the annexed negotiating directives, with a view to inviting the Council, at its meeting on 4 December, to

- Authorise the Presidency, assisted by the SG/HR, and by the Commission as appropriate, to negotiate the accession of the European Union to the TAC in line with the attached negotiation directives (ANNEX I);
- Enter the annexed Declaration by the Council to in its minutes (ANNEX II);
- Authorise the Commission to negotiate the accession of the European Community to the TAC in accordance with the negotiating directives annexed hereto (ANNEX III).

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**ANNEXES:**

I. Draft Council mandate to the Presidency for negotiating the EU's accession to the ASEAN Treaty of Amity and Cooperation (TAC)

II: Declaration to the Council minutes

III: Recommendation from the Commission to the Council authorising the Commission to negotiate the accession of the European Community to the ASEAN Treaty of Amity and Cooperation (including an explanatory memorandum and the draft negotiating directives)

