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Subject:	Designation of an expert at governmental level for the WADA Foundation Board (2013-2015)

- *Decision to use the written procedure*

1. It is to be recalled that Resolution of the Council and the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the representation of the EU Member States in the Foundation Board of WADA and the coordination of the EU and its Member States' positions prior to WADA meetings¹, set out new arrangements regarding EU Member States representation in the Foundation Board of WADA as from 1 January 2013. According to this Resolution, the representatives of the EU Member States in the Foundation Board of WADA shall be at ministerial level and that the seats be allocated as follows:
 - one seat should be allocated to one of the Member States forming the incumbent Trio Presidency (IE, LT, EL),
 - one seat should be allocated to one of the Member States forming the future Trio Presidency (IT, LV, LU),

¹ OJ 2011/C 372/02, 20.12.2011.

- one seat should be jointly allocated by the Member States meeting within the Council to a person responsible for sport at ministerial level with appropriate experience and knowledge ("expert at governmental level").
2. At the Council meeting of 27 November 2012, the Council designated Mr Alexandre Miguel MESTRE, State Secretary for Youth and Sport (Portugal) as the expert at governmental level for the WADA Foundation Board (2013-2015).

As outlined at the Working Party meeting of 15 April, Mr Mestre is no longer available to carry out this function.

The Resolution states that if the representative ceases his/her functions at ministerial level in his/her Member State, a new designation procedure shall be initiated.

3. Following an invitation to Member States to submit candidates, the only candidate put forward was : Mr Philippe MUYTERS, Flemish Minister for Finance, Budget, Work, Town and Country Planning and Sport (Belgium).
4. Given the urgent need to ensure appropriate EU representation at the forthcoming Foundation Board meeting of 12 May 2013, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to decide to use the written procedure to approve the designation of Mr Philippe MUYTERS as the expert at governmental level for the WADA Foundation Board for three years (2013-2015).
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