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Subject: **EARLY WARNING**

Full Powers for the signing of the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting within the Council, on the financing of European Union aid under the multiannual financial framework for the period 2014 to 2020, in accordance with the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, and on the allocation of financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which Part Four of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union applies  
(see doc. 8021/13)

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In order to prepare for the signing ceremony of the abovementioned Agreement, which is **scheduled to** take place in Luxembourg on 24 June 2013, in the margins of the Foreign Affairs Council, Member States are requested to ensure that an instrument of Full Powers\* is duly issued, authorising their respective plenipotentiary to sign.

The original of these Full Powers, or at least a copy thereof, should be sent to the Council's Agreements Office<sup>1</sup> (for the attention of Philip EVANS) by the date of the signature, at the latest.

\* Full Powers are required to be issued to any plenipotentiary who is not a Head of State, Head of Government or a Minister for Foreign Affairs (see Article 7 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties). However, those Member States' Permanent Representatives who have communicated to the General Secretariat of the Council a general authorisation from their authorities to sign EU Agreements on behalf of their country are exempt from this requirement.

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