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“I/A” ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: COREPER/COUNCIL

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION amending Decision 1997/70/EC concerning the external auditors of the national central banks, as regards the external auditors of the Österreichische Nationalbank

1. On 17 April 2013, the Governing Council of the European Central Bank recommended to the Council to approve, in conformity with Article 27.1 of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks (ESCB) and the European Central Bank (ECB), as the external auditors the European Central Bank for the financial years 2013 to 2017:

KPMG Wirtschaftsprüfungs- und Steuerberatungs AG

and as its alternate external auditors:

PwC Wirtschaftsprüfung GmbH

2. COREPER could therefore invite the Council to adopt, as an "A" item at one of its forthcoming meetings, the relevant Decision as it has been finalised by the Jurist-Linguists in document 10440/13 UEM 149 OC 354.