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from: General Secretariat
date of receipt: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion prop.: 5654/13 UD 16
Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and Russia on drug precursors
- Request by the Council for the consent of the European Parliament
COMMON GUIDELINES
Consultation deadline for Croatia: 25.06.2013

- 1. On 21 January 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, which aims at strengthening the cooperation between the Union and the Russian federation to prevent the diversion of drug precursors from the legal trade to counter the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs. The proposal is based on Art. 207(4) first subparagraph in conjunction with Art. 218(6)(a) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).
- 2. At its meeting on 14 January 2013, <u>the Working Party on Customs Union</u> reached an agreement on this proposal.

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- On 22 April 2013, the Council adopted its Decision on the signing of the above Agreement. 3.
- 4. The Agreement was signed on 4 June 2013.
- 5. Under these circumstances and in accordance with Article 218(6) of the TFEU, the Council should decide on the transmission of the draft decision to the European Parliament in order to obtain its consent.
- 6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to suggest to the Council to decide, in part "A" of the agenda of a forthcoming meeting, to forward the draft decision and the draft agreement as contained in documents 11407/13 UD 158 OC 434 and 8178/13 UD 72 OC 185 (texts finalised by the legal/linguistic experts) to the European Parliament for its consent.

As laid down in docs. 7767/13 UD 66 OC 167 and 8178/13 UD 72 OC 185

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