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from:	General Secretariat of the Council
to:	COREPER
Council docs.:	10570/13 + COR1 (en) 10572/13
Subject:	COREPER adoption of a procedural decision regarding the publication to publish in the Official Journal the Council Decisions to Belgium under Article 126(8) and 126(9) adopted by ECOFIN on 21 June 2013.

1. On 21 June 2013, the Council adopted the following Council Decisions:

a) Council Decision establishing that no effective action has been taken by Belgium in response to the Council Recommendation of 2 December 2009 - Article 126(8) TFEU - 10570/13 + COR1 (en) ECOFIN 488 UEM 183 OC 371

b) Council Decision giving notice to Belgium to take measures for the deficit reduction judged necessary in order to remedy the situation of excessive deficit - Article 126(9) TFEU - 10572/13 ECOFIN 490 UEM 185 OC 373

2. According to Article 126(8) TFEU, where the Council establishes that there has been no effective action in response to its recommendations within the period laid down, the Council may make its recommendations public.
 3. According to Article 19(7g) of the Council's Rules of Procedure (CRP), COREPER may adopt a decision to publish an act in the Official Journal (Article 17(2), (3) and (4) CRP).
 4. COREPER could therefore adopt a decision under Article 19(7g) CRP to publish in the Official Journal the Council Decisions as set out in documents 10570/13 + COR1 (en) and 10572/13.
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