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## **COUNCIL OF** THE EUROPEAN UNION

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## "I/A" ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council
Subject:	COUNCIL DECISION renewing the membership of the Scientific and Technical Committee and repealing Decision of 13 November 2012 appointing the members of the Scientific and Technical Committee

- 1. The present members of the Scientific and Technical Committee (STC) were appointed by the Council Decision of 13 November 2012 appointing the members of the Scientific and Technical Committee<sup>1</sup> for the period of 23 January 2013 to 22 January 2018.
- 2. However, by virtue of Article 26(2) of the Act concerning the conditions of accession of the Republic of Croatia<sup>2</sup>, the membership of the STC should be completely renewed upon the accession of Croatia to the European Union.
- 3. As the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union became effective on 1 July 2013, new members of the STC should therefore be appointed.

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OJ C 360, 22.11.2012, p. 2.

OJ L 112, 24.4.2012, p. 21.

- 4. In accordance with the provisions of Article 134 of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, the <u>Commission</u> has been consulted and it has expressed its favourable opinion on the relevant proposal made by the Member States.
- 5. On 24 June 2013, an agreement on the text of the draft Decision was reached at the Working Party level.
- 6. The <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> could therefore suggest to the <u>Council</u> that it:
  - adopt under part "A" of the provisional agenda for a forthcoming meeting the
    Decision contained in doc. 11518/13 RECH 319 ATO 67;
  - order publication of the Decision in the Official Journal of the European Union for information.

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