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INFORMATION NOTE

from: Council Legal Service
to: COREPER (2nd part)

Subject: Case before the General Court of the European Union
- Case T-273/13 (Mohammad Sarafraz v. Council)

- By an application notified to the Council on 17 June 2013, the applicant has brought an action for the annulment, pursuant to Article 263 TFEU, of the Council Implementing Regulation (EU) N 206/2013 of 11 March 2013 implementing Article 12(1) of Regulation (EU) N 359/2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Iran, insofar as it relates to the applicant.
- 2. The applicant invokes the following grounds in support of its claim for annulment:
 - Infringement of the applicant's rights of defence,
 - Lack of a basis for including the applicant in the list,
 - Infringement of the double jeopardy principle ("ne bis in idem"),
 - Infringement of the applicant's fundamental rights in terms of freedom of the media, freedom to exercise an occupation, freedom of movement and freedom to own property.

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I Ind 3. In accordance with Article 46(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Court, the Council has to lodge its statement of defence within two months of receipt of the notification of the application. The Director-General of the Council Legal Service has appointed Mr. Jan-Peter HIX and Mr. Alvaro DE ELERA, members of the Legal Service, as the Council's agents in this case.