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from : General Secretariat of the Council
to : Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)

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Subject : Transparency - Public access to documents
- Information on confirmatory application No 01/c/01/12

1. This note is to inform the Permanent Representatives Committee on the procedure for the adoption of a reply by the European Council to the first confirmatory application sent to this institution.
2. On 30 December 2011, the European Council received a confirmatory application (No 01/c/01/12) for access to documents relating to contacts with the Institute of International Finance before, during and after the European Council meetings and the Euro Summit meetings in July and in October 2011 (doc. 5017/12). This request was submitted pursuant to Regulation 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents. The deadline for replying to the applicant is Tuesday, 14 February 2012¹.

¹ Due to the complexity of the request, the deadline for replying to the applicant was extended by 15 working days, according to Article 8(2) of Regulation 1049/2001.

3. This confirmatory application as well as the draft reply (doc. 5018/12) are currently being examined by the Working Party on Information by written consultation, which started on Wednesday 8 February and will end on Thursday 9 February 2012.
4. The draft reply to this confirmatory application will be submitted to the European Council for adoption by written procedure according to Article 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the European Council. This written procedure will be launched on Friday 10 February 2012 with a deadline for replies on Monday 13 February 2012 at midday (CM launching the written procedure and document containing the draft reply yet to be issued).
