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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-181/12 (Naser Bateni v. Council)

1. By an application notified to the Council on 3 May 2012, the above-mentioned applicant has brought an action for annulment, pursuant to Article 263 TFEU, of Council Regulation (EU) No 267/2012¹ of 23 March 2012 concerning restrictive measures against Iran and repealing Regulation (EU) No 961/2010, insofar as the Regulation concerns the applicant.
2. The contested Regulation lists the applicant among the persons to which the restrictive measures on the freezing of funds and economic resources apply.
3. In support of his claim for annulment the applicant submits that the contested Regulation infringes his rights of defence, in particular his right to effective judicial protection and his right to be heard, that it lacks a basis for his inclusion in the list, and that it infringes his fundamental right to respect for property.

¹ OJ L 88 of 24.3.2012, p. 1.

4. The applicant also requests the use of the expedited procedure under Article 76a of the Rules of Procedure of the Court.
5. In accordance with Article 76a(2) of the Rules of Procedure of the Court, the Council has to lodge its statement of defence within one month of receipt of the notification of the application. The Director-General of the Council Legal Service has appointed Mr. Michael BISHOP and Mr. Jan-Peter HIX, members of the Legal Service, as the Council's agents in this case.
