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1. At the Durban Climate Conference (28 November - 9 December 2011), the Conference of the Parties approved the governing instrument of the Green Climate Fund. This governing instrument stipulates that the Board of the Green Climate Fund will have 24 members, composed of an equal number of members from developing and developed country Parties.
2. As part of the process of nominations from developed country Parties, a European Union representative from the European Commission is being nominated to the Green Climate Fund Board.
3. At its meeting on 14 May 2012, the Permanent Representatives Committee reached agreement on the text of the Council conclusions set out in the Annex to this note.
4. The Council is invited to approve the conclusions set out in the Annex to this note.

**Green Climate Fund Board nominations**  
**- draft Council Conclusions -**

RECALLING that the European Union and the Member States are Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC),

WELCOMING that the 17th Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC decided to establish the Green Climate Fund and that the Fund be governed by a Board composed of 24 members,

RECALLING that Union policy on the environment includes promoting measures at the international level to combat climate change and recognising that the Union's development cooperation in the climate change arena and that of the Member States should complement and reinforce each other,

RECALLING that nominations for representation of the European Union, as appropriate, in international organisations or boards thereof need to be decided on a case-by-case analysis, taking into account the rules governing the composition of such organisations or boards as well as the specific EU competences at stake,

ACKNOWLEDGING the outcome of the negotiations among developed country Parties in Geneva on 13 April 2012,

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AGREES that a European Union representative will be nominated by the Union to the Green Climate Fund Board and that the Union representative comes from the Commission;

REQUESTS that the European Union representative report back periodically to the Council on Board proceedings.