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“I/A” ITEM NOTE

from: ACP Working Party

to: Permanent Representatives Committee / Council

No. Cion prop.: 11490/12 - COM(2012) 288 final

Subject: Draft Council Decision extending the period of application of the appropriate measures laid down for the Republic of Guinea by Decision 2011/465/EU and amending that Decision
- Adoption

COMMON GUIDELINES

Consultation deadline for Croatia: 9.7.2012

1. On 27 July 2009, the Council of the European Union decided to take appropriate measures following the conclusion of the consultations held with the Republic of Guinea under Article 96 of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement by means of Council Decision 2009/618/EC¹. These measures have been subsequently adapted and their period of application was extended until 19 July 2012 by means of Council Decision 2011/465/EU² of 18 July 2011.
2. On 14 June 2012, the Commission forwarded to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision extending the period of application of the appropriate measures laid down for the Republic of Guinea by Decision 2011/465/EU and amending that Decision³.

¹ OJ L 214, 19.8.2009, p. 34.

² OJ L 195, 27.7.2011, p. 2.

³ Doc. 11490/12

3. The ACP Working Party discussed the abovementioned proposal and agreed on the text of the draft Council Decision on 19 June 2012.
4. In accordance with Article 3 of the Annex to the Internal Agreement for the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement¹, the Decision should be adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority.
5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is accordingly invited to recommend that the Council, as an “A” item on its agenda:
 - adopt the Decision, as set out in document 11652/12 ACP 107 COAFR 177 PECS 795 RELEX 577 after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts;
 - agree to send the letter attached to that Decision to the President and the Prime Minister of the Republic of Guinea;
 - decide to publish the Decision and attached letter in the Official Journal of the European Union.

¹ Internal Agreement between the representatives of the governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, of 18 September 2000 on measures to be taken and procedures to be followed for the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement (OJ L 317 of 15.12.2000, p. 376), as amended by the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, of 10 April 2006 amending the Internal Agreement of 18 September 2000 on measures to be taken and procedures to be followed for the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement (OJ L 247 of 9.9.2006, p. 48).