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NOTE

from:	Latvian delegation
to:	Visa Working Party
Subject:	Amendments to the Table of travel documents entitling the holder to cross the external borders and which may be endorsed with a visa - Part II (5762/12 VISA 17 COMIX 52)

The Latvian delegation wishes to inform delegations that Latvia recognises the "Stateless persons travel document (New York Convention of 28 September 1954)" issued by Greece.

Consequently, an "X" with a footnote "Not valid to apply for a residence permit." should be inserted in row 3 for the "Stateless persons travel document (New York Convention of 28 September 1954)" in the column "LV".

At the same time the Latvian delegation would like to inform delegations that the "Aliens travel document" and the "Refugees travel document (Geneva Convention of 28 July 1951)" issued by Greece are no longer valid to apply for a residence permit in Latvia.

Therefore, the footnote "Recognised for transit or exit to return to the country of origin" for the "Refugees travel document (Geneva Convention of 28 July 1951)" and for the "Aliens travel document" should be replaced by a footnote reading as follows: "Not valid to apply for a residence permit".