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OC 455**

"I/A" ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat of the Council
on: 30 August 2012
to: COREPER/Council

No. Cion prop.: 17301/09 TU 7

Subject: **Relations with Tunisia**

- Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, and the provisional application of the protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union

COMMON GUIDELINES

Consultation deadline for Croatia: 4.09.2012

1. On 12 November 2009, the Commission submitted the above proposal to the Council.
2. At the meeting of the "Mashraq/Maghreb" Working Party on 29 May 2012, all delegations agreed to the proposal in question.
3. Consequently, and subject to confirmation by COREPER, it is suggested that the Council, as an "A" item:

- adopts the draft Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Protocol, as set out in doc. 10637/12 TU 4 OC 272, and the Protocol itself, as set out in doc. 10639/12 TU 5 OC 273 as finalised by the Legal/Linguistic experts;

- decides to request the consent of the European Parliament, following the signature, on the basis of the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of the Protocol, as set out in doc. 10641/12 TU 6 OC 274, and of the Protocol itself, as set out in doc. 10639/12 TU 5 OC 273 as finalised by the Legal/Linguistic experts.

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