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from:	General Secretariat
to:	Permanent Representatives Committee / Council
No. Cion prop. :	12686/11 RECH 263 AL 6
Subject:	Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union, on the one hand, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, on the other, on cooperation in science and technology - Adoption

1. On 7 July 2011, the <u>Commission</u> submitted to the Council its proposal concerning the signing and provisional application[1] as well as the conclusion[2] of the Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on scientific and technological cooperation.

2. The Agreement was signed on 19 March 2012, following Council Decision of 19 December 2011[3].

3. The procedure for consultation of Croatia concerning the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of this Agreement has followed Common Guidelines in document 8283/12, with the consultation deadline of 27 April 2012.

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[1]   Doc. 12685/11
[2]   Doc. 12686/11
[3]   OJ L 99 of 5.4.2012, p. 1

4. On 14 May 2012, the <u>Council</u> decided to forward the draft Council Decision on the conclusion[4] as well as the text of the Agreement[5] to the European Parliament for its consent.

5. At its Plenary session of 13 September 2012, the <u>European Parliament</u> gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.

6. Consequently, the <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> is invited to suggest that the <u>Council</u>, in part "A" at a forthcoming session, adopts the Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement as set out in doc. 8283/12 RECH 104 AL 1 OC 167 as finalised by the legal-linguist experts.

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[4] Doc. 8283/12
[5] Doc. 17318/11