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From : General Secretariat
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To : COREPER/Council

No. Cion prop. : 10492/10 NZ 1 ARM 5 MI 187
10494/10 NZ 2 ARM 6 MI 188

Subject : Agreement between the European Union and New Zealand amending the Agreement on mutual recognition in relation to conformity assessment between the European Community and New Zealand
- Adoption of the conclusion of the Agreement

1. On 28 May 2010 the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Decision on the signature on behalf of the European Union of an Agreement between the European Union and New Zealand amending the Agreement on mutual recognition in relation to conformity assessment between the European Community and New Zealand and a proposal for a Decision on the conclusion of an Agreement between the European Union and New Zealand amending the Agreement on mutual recognition in relation to conformity assessment between the European Community and New Zealand.
2. On 18 July 2011 the Council decided to forward the draft decision on conclusion as contained in document 12126/10 as well as the text of the Agreement as contained in document 12151/10 to the European Parliament for its consent.

3. At the plenary session from 10 to 13 September 2012, the European Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.

 7. It is therefore suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee invites the Council to adopt, as an "A" item, the text of the Agreement as set out in 12151/12 NZ 5 ARM 14 MI 247.
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