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**MIGR 155** COAFR 241

## **'I/A' ITEM NOTE**

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
Subject:	Adoption of the Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations on an agreement between the European Union and the Federal Republic of Nigeria on readmission

- 1. By letter received on 11 May 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council a recommendation for a Council Decision authorising the Commission to negotiate a readmission agreement with the Federal Republic of Nigeria as set out in document 8894/16 MIGR 92 COAFR 131 + ADD 1 RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED.
- 2. The above recommendation for a Council Decision and the negotiating directives were examined by the JHA Counsellors on 24 May 2016 and agreed by delegations.
- 3. In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol No 21 on the position of the <u>United Kingdom</u> and <u>Ireland</u> in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and without prejudice to Article 4 of that Protocol, those Member States are not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and are not bound by it or subject to its application.

- 4. In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol No 22 on the position of <u>Denmark</u>, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Denmark is not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and is not bound by it or subject to its application,
- 5. The <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> is invited to suggest to the Council to
  - adopt under the "A" part of the Agenda, in one of its forthcoming sessions, the Council Decision authorising the Commission to open negotiations on an agreement between the European Union and the Federal Republic of Nigeria as set out in document 11975/16
    MIGR 154 COAFR 240, which refers to the negotiating directives set out in document 11946/16 MIGR 153 COAFR 238 EU RESTRICTED;
  - inform the European Parliament according to Article 218(10) TFEU.

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