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**'I/A' ITEM NOTE**

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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Draft Council Decision authorising the signature, on behalf of the Union, of a cooperation agreement between the European Union and the Agency for Aerial Navigation Safety in Africa and Madagascar (ASECNA) on the development of satellite navigation and the provision of associated services in ASECNA's area of competence for the benefit of civil aviation - Adoption

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1. On 25 September 2014, the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate, on behalf of the Union, an agreement with the Agency for Aerial Navigation Safety in Africa and Madagascar (ASECNA) establishing the conditions for the provision of a satellite-based augmentation service (SBAS) in Africa on the basis of the EGNOS European satellite navigation programme.
2. Following the initialling of the agreement between European Union and ASECNA on the development of satellite navigation and the provision of associated services in ASECNA's area of competence for the benefit of civil aviation on 12 May 2016, the Commission presented the above proposal to the Council on 12 September 2016.

3. The Working Party on Transport Intermodal Questions and Networks examined the draft Council Decision and reached agreement on it at its meeting of 27 September 2016.
  4. The texts<sup>1</sup>, adjusted in the light of that examination, have been prepared by the Council's legal-linguistic service<sup>2</sup>.
  5. In the light of the above, COREPER is invited to confirm the Working Party's agreement and to suggest to Council to adopt the Council Decision as it appears in documents 13520/16 (Council Decision) and 13661/16 (Agreement) as a "I/A" item at one of its forthcoming sessions so that the signature can proceed.
  6. The European Parliament will be informed of the adoption of the Council Decision, in compliance with Article 218(10) TFEU.
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<sup>1</sup> 13154/16.

<sup>2</sup> 13520/16 (Council Decision).  
13661/16 (Agreement).