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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Draft COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the World Trade Organization on the modification of paragraph C(ii) of Annex 3 to the WTO Agreement as regards the frequency of WTO Trade Policy Reviews and of the rules of procedure of the Trade Policy Review Body  
- Adoption

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1. On 24 March 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the World Trade Organization on the modification of the frequency of WTO Trade Policy Reviews in paragraph C(ii) of Annex 3 of the WTO Agreement and the rules of procedure of the Trade Policy Review Body (doc. 7669/17 WTO 85).
2. On 7 April 2017, the Trade Policy Committee (Deputies) endorsed the above-mentioned Commission proposal.

3. The Permanent Representatives' Committee (Part 2) is therefore invited to recommend that, as an "A" item at one of its forthcoming meetings, the Council:
- a) adopt the Decision as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in document 7671/17 WTO 87; and
  - b) decide to order the publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* of the amendment of paragraph C(ii) of Annex 3 to the WTO Agreement, as notified by the WTO.
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