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From:	Working Party on Latin America and the Caribbean
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	6743/16 COLAC 18 + ADD 1 and 6747/16 COLAC 21 + ADD 1
Subject:	<p>Draft Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, and provisional application of the Third Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union</p> <p>-Adoption</p> <p>and</p> <p>Draft Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Third Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union</p> <p>-Request for the consent of the European Parliament</p>

1. On 28 February 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council the two following proposals:
 - Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, and provisional application of the Third Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union (doc. 6743/17 COLAC 18 WTO 44 CFSP/PESC 190 ELARG 16 UD 57 + ADD 1);

- Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Third Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union (doc. 6747/17 + ADD 1).
2. Both proposals were examined by the Working Party on Latin America and the Caribbean at its meetings on 14 March 2017 and 25 April 2017. At the latter meeting, the Working Party on Latin America and the Caribbean also took note of the examination of the proposals by the Trade Policy Committee at its meeting held on 7 April 2017.
 3. At its meeting on 25 April 2017, the Working Party on Latin America and the Caribbean endorsed the Council Decisions, as set out after legal-linguistic revision in documents 6746/17 , 6750/17 and 6905/17.
 4. In light of the above, and subject to the approval of the Permanent Representatives' Committee, the Council is invited to adopt the Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Third Additional Protocol as set out after legal-linguistic revision in document 6746/17 and in document 6905/17.
 5. Furthermore, with a view to preparing for the future conclusion of the Third Additional Protocol, the Permanent Representatives' Committee is also invited to recommend that the Council decides at the same meeting to forward the draft Council Decision on conclusion, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in document 6750/17, to the European Parliament for its consent.
 6. The Decision on the signing, together with the text of the Agreement, will be published in the Official Journal in accordance with the applicable rules.
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