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From: ACP Working Party  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Draft Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the Joint CARIFORUM-EU Council of the Economic Partnership Agreement between the CARIFORUM States, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part, as regards the amendment of Annex IX to Protocol I: Overseas countries and territories  
- Adoption

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1. On 27 July 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the Joint CARIFORUM-EU Council of the Economic Partnership Agreement between the CARIFORUM States, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part, as regards the amendment of Annex IX to Protocol I: Overseas countries and territories.
2. The ACP Working Party discussed the abovementioned proposal for the Council decision and agreed on the text of the draft Council Decision on 26 September 2017.

3. The Permanent Representatives Committee is accordingly invited to recommend that the Council adopt, as an “A” item, the text set out in document 12578/17, after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts, which will serve as a basis for negotiations in the Joint CARIFORUM-EU Council of the Economic Partnership Agreement between the CARIFORUM States, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part.

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