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From: Mr Tim BARROW, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom
date of receipt: 16 October 2017
To: Mr Andres ANVELT and Mr Urmias REINSALU, Presidents of the Justice and Home Affairs Council

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Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision authorising Luxembourg and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Georgia and South Africa to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction

Proposal for a Council Decision authorising Croatia, the Netherlands, Portugal and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of San Marino to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction

Proposal for a Council Decision authorising Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Chile, Iceland and Bahamas to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction

Proposal for a Council Decision authorising Austria and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Panama, Uruguay, Colombia and El Salvador to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction

- Opt-in of the United Kingdom

The purpose of this letter is to communicate the United Kingdom's formal notification, in accordance with Article 3(1) of the Protocol (No 21) to the Treaties on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice, that it intends to take part in the adoption and application of:

- The proposal for a Council Decision authorising Luxembourg and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Georgia and South Africa to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.
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- The proposal for a Council Decision authorising Croatia, the Netherlands, Portugal and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of San Marino to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.
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- The proposal for a Council Decision authorising Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Chile, Iceland and Bahamas to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. COM(2017)360
- The proposal for a Council Decision authorising Austria and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Panama, Uruguay, Colombia and El Salvador to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. COM(2017)369

I am copying this letter to Alexander Italianer, Secretary General of the Commission and Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen, Secretary General of the Council.

(complimentary close)

(signed) Tim Barrow