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From: ACP Working Party

To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Draft Council Decision repealing Decision 2010/371/EU of 7 June 2010 concerning the conclusion of consultations with the Republic of Madagascar under Article 96 of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement
- Adoption

1. On 6 June 2010, the Council of the European Union decided to conclude consultations with the Republic of Madagascar and to take appropriate measures under Article 96 of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement by means of Council Decision 2010/371/EU¹. This Decision was amended and its period of application was prolonged, lastly by means of Council Decision 2012/749/EU of 3 December 2012².
2. On 12 March 2014, the Commission forwarded to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision repealing Decision 2010/371/EU of 7 June 2010 concerning the conclusion of consultations with the Republic of Madagascar under Article 96 of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement.

¹ OJ L 169, 3.7.2010, p. 13.

² OJ L 333, 5.12.2012, p. 46.

3. The ACP Working Party discussed the abovementioned proposal and agreed on the text of the draft Council Decision on 25 April 2014.
 4. In accordance with Paragraph 3 of the Annex to the Internal Agreement on the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement³, the Decision should be adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority.
 5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is accordingly invited to recommend that the Council as an “A” item on its agenda:
 - adopt the Decision, as set out in document 9225/14, after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts;
 - decide to publish the Decision in the Official Journal of the European Union.
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³ Internal Agreement between the representatives of the governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, of 18 September 2000 on measures to be taken and procedures to be followed for the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement (OJ L 317 of 15.12.2000, p. 376), as amended by the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, of 10 April 2006 amending the Internal Agreement of 18 September 2000 on measures to be taken and procedures to be followed for the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement (OJ L 247 of 9.9.2006, p. 48).