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From: ACP Working Party
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
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Subject: Draft Council Decision extending the validity of Decision 2011/492/EU and suspending the application of appropriate measures
- Adoption

1. On 18 July 2011, the Council of the European Union decided to take appropriate measures following the conclusion of the consultations held with the Republic of Guinea-Bissau under Article 96 of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement by means of Council Decision 2011/492/EU¹. This Decision was amended and its period of application was prolonged, lastly by means of Council Decision 2013/385/EU of 15 July 2013².
2. On 17 June 2014, the Commission forwarded to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision extending the validity of Decision 2011/492/EU and suspending the application of its appropriate measures³.

¹ OJ L 203, 6.8.2011, p. 2.
² OJ L 194, 17.7.2013, p. 6.
³ Doc. 11136/14 + ADD 1.

3. The ACP Working Party discussed the abovementioned proposal and agreed on the text of the draft Council Decision on 24 June 2014.
4. In accordance with paragraph 3 of the Annex to the Internal Agreement for the implementation of the ACP-EC Partnership Agreement⁴, 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 11290/14 after finalisation by the legal/linguistic experts;
 - agree to communicate the letter in the Annex to this Decision to the authorities of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau;
 - decide to publish the Decision and the attached notification letter in the Official Journal of the European Union.

⁴ 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).