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Subject:	Draft Council Decision on the financial contributions to be paid by the Member States to finance the European Development Fund in 2014, including the 3rd instalment 2014 - Adoption

1. On 9 October 2014, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the financial contributions to be paid by the Member States to finance the European Development Fund concerning the third instalment for 2014¹.
2. Under Article 57(3) of the Financial Regulation applicable to the 10th European Development Fund (EDF)², the Council shall decide on the proposal at the latest 21 calendar days following the presentation by the Commission, and the Member States must pay the third instalment of contributions at the latest 21 calendar days following the date on which the Council Decision was notified to them.
3. On 13 October 2014, the ACP Working Party agreed on the financial contributions to be paid by the Member States to finance the European Development Fund in 2014, including the 3rd instalment 2014, as set out in the Commission proposal.

¹ Doc. 14071/14 + ADD 1.

² OJ L 78, 19.3.2008, p. 1.

4. The Working Party recommends that the Permanent Representatives Committee invite the Council to:

- adopt, as an "A" item on its agenda, the draft Council Decision set out in document 14072/14 acting by the qualified majority provided for in Article 8(2) of the Internal Agreement applicable to the 10th EDF³.

³ OJ L 247, 9.9.2006, p. 32, and Council Decision of 16 July 2007 modifying the Internal Agreement to include Bulgaria and Romania: OJ L 202, 3.8.2007, p. 35.