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## **NOTE**

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At its meeting on 18 November 2014, the Council adopted the Council Conclusions set out in the annex to this note.

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## **Council Conclusions**

## on EU membership of the Principal Donors Group of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia

Recalling all relevant conclusions of the Council, the European Union reaffirms its full support for the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC). The EU has become one of the largest financial contributors of the ECCC. In this context and in line with its policy of deciding to apply for membership of international bodies on a case-by-case basis, following thorough analysis of the merits of the specific application, the Council agrees that the European Union should apply to become a member of the Principal Donors Group for the ECCC, provided that this step does not affect adversely the membership status or role of any EU Member State currently represented in the Principal Donors Group. The Council stresses the importance of this step in particular to monitor how the EU contribution is used.

The Council agrees that the following rules should apply:

- 1) A member of the EU Delegation to the United Nations in New York will be the representative of the European Union in the Principal Donors Group for the ECCC;
- 2) The EU will treat information dealt with in the Principal Donors Group for the ECCC with due regard to the confidentiality of its proceedings;
- 3) The Commission, in coordination with the EEAS, will regularly report to the Asia-Oceania Working Party.

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