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- *Information from the French delegation, supported by the Bulgarian,
Danish, Finnish, German, Greek and Lithuanian delegations*

Delegations will find attached an information note from the French delegation on the above subject, which has been put on the agenda under "Any Other Business" for the next Education, Youth, Culture and Sport Council meeting on 25 November 2014.

Council of Europe Convention on the manipulation of sports competitions

Following the meeting of Ministers responsible for sport on the 18th of September 2014 in Magglingen, Switzerland, the International Convention on the manipulation of sports competitions, negotiated under the auspices of the Council of Europe, was signed by eight states of the European Union among sixteen states: Germany, Bulgaria, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Lithuania and the Netherlands.

This agreement brings real added value in many areas: it facilitates international cooperation and exchange of data between public authorities, sports movement and betting operators. In addition, it enables legal prosecution in order to sanction the behaviors undermining the integrity of competitions.

Ministers responsible for sport of France, Bulgaria, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Greece and Lithuania encourage other sports ministers of the EU to join them in the fight against manipulation of competitions by signing this convention.
