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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council
Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, at the Eighth Conference of the Parties to the Helsinki Convention on Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents with regard to the proposal for an amendment of Annex I
- Adoption

1. On 23 October 2014, the Commission submitted to Council a proposal ¹ for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, at the Eighth Conference of the Parties to the Helsinki Convention on Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents with regard to the proposal for an amendment of Annex I.
2. The Commission's proposal was discussed by the Working Party on International Environmental Issues (WPIEI) on 5 November 2014 and by the Working Party on the Environment (WPE) on 6 November 2014.
3. The text reflecting the outcome of these discussions and as set out in documents 15337/14 + ADD 1, circulated to delegations on 11 November 2014, is acceptable to all.

¹ 14733/14 - COM(2014) 652 final + ADD 1.

4. The Committee of Permanent Representatives is invited to recommend that the Council adopts the Decision as set out in the JL document 15610/14 as an "A" item at one of its meetings in time for the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention (Geneva, 3-5 December 2014).
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