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Subject: Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Union and European Atomic Energy Community and the Swiss Confederation associating the Swiss Confederation to Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation and the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community complementing Horizon 2020, and regulating Switzerland's participation in the ITER activities carried out by Fusion for Energy  
- Adoption  
= Statement by the Commission

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**Statement by the Commission**

The Commission takes note that an agreement was reached by unanimity on Article 2 of the proposal for a Council decision on signature and provisional application of the Agreement. The Commission recalls its views that the signature of an international agreement is an act of external representation of the Union, which the Commission is entrusted to do in line with Art. 17(1) TEU.