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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council

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Subject: Draft COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion 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  
- Request by the Council for the consent of the European Parliament

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1. On 24 October 2014, the Commission submitted to the Council its proposal for a 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.

2. The text of the Agreement was initialled on 24 July 2014, following the Council's authorisation to the Commission on 15 November 2013 to negotiate on behalf of the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community.
3. The Agreement was signed on 5 December 2014, following Council Decision of 4 December 2014<sup>1</sup>.
4. With a view to preparing for the conclusion of this Agreement, the Permanent Representatives Committee is thus invited to suggest that the Council, in part "A" of the agenda of a forthcoming meeting, decide to forward the draft decision on the conclusion of this Agreement, as revised by the legal-linguists and contained in document 5662/15 RECH 7 ATO 9 CH 3 AELE 6 as well as the text of this Agreement as signed and contained in document 15369/14 RECH 433 ATO 84 CH 41 AELE 57<sup>2</sup> to the European Parliament for its consent.

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<sup>1</sup> Published in the Official Journal L 370 of 30.12.2014, p. 1-2.

<sup>2</sup> Published in the Official Journal L 370 of 30.12.2014, p. 3-18.