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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 the Faroe Islands associating the Faroe Islands to Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020)  
- Request by the Council for the consent of the European Parliament

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1. On 29 July 2014, the Commission submitted to the Council its proposal concerning the signature and provisional application of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Union and the Faroe Islands associating the Faroe Islands to Horizon 2020 - The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation.
2. The text of the Agreement was initialled on 6 June 2014, following the Council's authorisation to the Commission on 18 March 2014 to negotiate on behalf of the European Union a scientific and technological (S&T) cooperation agreement associating the Faroe Islands to Horizon 2020.
3. The Agreement was signed on 17 December 2014, following Council Decision of 10 November 2014<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Doc. 14013/14.

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 5660/15 RECH 6 FEROE 1 as well as the text of this Agreement as signed and contained in document 14014/14 RECH 390 FEROE 8 to the European Parliament for its consent.

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