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from:	Mr Ivan Rogers, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom
date of receipt:	16 March 2015
to:	Mr Dzintars Rasnačs and Mr Rihards Kozlovskis, Presidents of the Justice and Home Affairs Council

No Cion doc.:	COM(2014) 721 final
Subject:	Proposal for a Council Decision authorising Austria, Belgium and Poland to ratify, or to accede to, the Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterways (CMNI) - Opt-in of the United Kingdom

The purpose of this letter is to communicate the United Kingdom's formal notification, in accordance with Article 3(1) of the Protocol (No 21) to the Treaties on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice, that it intends to take part in the adoption and application of the proposal for a Council Decision authorising Austria, Belgium and Poland to ratify, or to accede to, the Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterways (CMNI) [COM (2014) 721 final].

I am copying this letter to Catherine Day, Secretary General of the Commission and Uwe Corsepius, Secretary General of the Council.

(complimentary close)
(signed) Ivan Rogers