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> **AGRI 77** PROBA 6

LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the International Grains Council with respect to the Subject:

extension of the Grains Trade Convention 1995

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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2015/...

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establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the International Grains Council with respect to the extension of the Grains Trade Convention 1995

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 207 in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

6487/15 SHO/vm 1 DGB 2B **EN** WHEREAS the Grains Trade Convention 1995 was concluded by the Council through Decision 96/88/EC¹ and entered into force on 1 July 1995 for a period of 3 years until 30 June 1998. Since then, the Convention has been regularly extended for further periods of two years. It was last extended by decision of the International Grains Council in June 2013 and remains in force until 30 June 2015. A further extension is in the interest of the Union. The Commission, which represents the Union within the International Grains Council, should therefore be authorised to vote in favour of such extension,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

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Council Decision 96/88/EC of 19 December 1995 concerning the approval by the European Community of the Grains Trade Convention and the Food Aid Convention, constituting the International Grains Agreement 1995 (OJ L 21, 27.1.1996, p. 47).

Article 1

The position to be taken on behalf of the Union within the International Grains Council shall be to vote in favour of the extension of the Grains Trade Convention 1995 for a further period of up to two years from 1 July 2015.

The Commission is hereby authorised to express that position within the International Grains Council.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

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