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Subject: **3383rd** meeting of the Council of the European Union (**GENERAL AFFAIRS**) held in Luxembourg on 21 April 2015

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

3. Approval of the list of "A" items

8036/15 PTS A 30

The Council adopted the list of "A" items as listed in 8036/15.

Statements to these items are set out in the Annex.

During the adoption, and as regards item 9, the Croatian Minister reminded her colleagues of "the difficulties regarding the Stabilisation and Association Agreement with Bosnia and Herzegovina, an issue on which this country lost five years." She also noted that, "all Member States made an effort in order to have this breakthrough, after recent elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina. This country has now accepted the partnership and fulfilled the necessary preconditions for a new EU approach and is ready now to take over its responsibilities."

The Minister also added, that "this is a proof that the EU still acts as a "soft power" and has a transformative potential. This has been also demonstrated at an informal working lunch preceding the Foreign Affairs Council the day before. The entry into force of this SAA was a major step for a stabilisation of the South-East Europe, initiated by the EU Member States."
