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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject:	Adoption of a Council Decision on the position to be taken by the European Union in the EU-EFTA Joint Committee on Common Transit and a Decision by the EU-EFTA Joint Committee on Simplification of Formalities in Trade in Goods as regards invitations to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to accede to those Conventions

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1. On 15 April 2015, the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal, based on Article 207(4), 1st subparagraph, in conjunction with Article 218(9), of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
2. The Working Party on Customs Union examined an advanced copy of the text of the proposal, at its meeting on 25 March 2015, and agreed on an amended version of the draft Decision, as laid down in doc. 8179/15 UD 84.

3. Against this background, the Permanent Representatives Committee could:

- confirm the agreement reached within the Working Party and
  - invite the Council to adopt the draft Regulation as set out in doc. 8194/15 UD 89 (text revised by legal/linguistic experts) as an item without discussion at one of its forthcoming meetings.
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