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## **LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS**

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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee established by the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part, as regards the adoption of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee and the list of individuals to serve as experts in panel procedures on trade and sustainable development

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**COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2015/...**

**of ...**

**on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union  
in the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee  
established by the Association Agreement  
between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community  
and their Member States, of the one part,  
and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part,  
as regards the adoption of the rules of procedure of  
the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee  
and the list of individuals to serve as experts  
in panel procedures on trade and sustainable development**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 207(4), in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 464(3) and (4) of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part<sup>1</sup> ("the Agreement") provides for the provisional application of the Agreement in part.
- (2) Article 3 of Council Decision 2014/492/EU<sup>2</sup> specifies the provisions of the Agreement to be applied provisionally, including the provisions on the establishment and functioning of the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee and on trade and sustainable development.
- (3) Under Article 376(3) of the Agreement, the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee is to establish its own rules of procedure.
- (4) Under Article 379(3) of the Agreement, the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee is to agree at its first meeting on the list of individuals who are willing and able to serve as experts in panel procedures on trade and sustainable development.
- (5) It is appropriate to establish the position to be adopted on the Union's behalf as regards the rules of procedure of the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee and the list of individuals who are willing and able to serve as experts in panel procedures on trade and sustainable development.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 260, 30.8.2014, p. 4.

<sup>2</sup> Council Decision 2014/492/EU of 16 June 2014 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part (OJ L 260, 30.8.2014, p. 1).

- (6) The position of the Union within the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee should therefore be based on the attached draft Decisions,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

1. The position to be adopted on the Union's behalf within the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee established by Article 376 of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part, as regards the adoption of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee and the list of individuals who are willing and able to serve as experts in panel procedures on trade and sustainable development shall be based on the draft Decisions\* of the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee attached to this Decision.
2. Minor technical corrections to the draft Decisions may be agreed to by the representatives of the Union in the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee without further decision of the Council.

*Article 2*

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

Done at ...,

*For the Council*  
*The President*

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\* The draft Decisions are to be found in documents ST 1106/15 and ST 1107/15 respectively.