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From: General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Union and European Atomic Energy Community and the Swiss Confederation associating the Swiss Confederation to Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation and the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community complementing Horizon 2020; and regulating Switzerland's participation in the ITER activities carried out by Fusion for Energy
- Adoption

1. On 24 October 2014, the Commission submitted to the Council its proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Union and European Atomic Energy Community and the Swiss Confederation associating the Swiss Confederation to Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation and the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community complementing Horizon 2020; and regulating Switzerland's participation in the ITER activities carried out by Fusion for Energy.

2. The text of the Agreement was initialled on 24 July 2014, following the Council's authorisation to the Commission on 15 November 2013 to negotiate on behalf of the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community.
3. The Agreement was signed on 5 December 2014, following Council Decision of 4 December 2014¹.
4. On 17 February 2015, the Council decided to forward the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement² to the European Parliament for its consent. At its Plenary session of 6-9 July 2015, the European Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.
5. Consequently, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to suggest that the Council, in part "A" at a forthcoming session:
 - a) adopts the Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement as set out in doc. 5662/15 RECH 7 ATO 9 CH 3 AELE 6 as finalised by the legal-linguist experts. The text of the Agreement, following revision by the legal-linguists, is set out in document 15369/14 RECH 433 ATO 84 CH 41 AELE 57³;
 - b) informs the European Parliament of the adoption of the above-mentioned Council Decision.

¹ Published in the Official Journal L 370 of 30.12.2014, p. 1-2.

² 5662/15.

³ Published in the Official Journal L 370 of 30.12.2014, p. 3-18.