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ANNEX

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COUNCIL DECISION

Authorising the Commission to open negotiations on FLEGT Partnership agreements

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

The Council authorises the Commission to open negotiations on behalf of the European Community with regard to matters within the Community's field of competence, FLEGT Partnership agreements.

The Commission shall conduct these negotiations on behalf of the European Community in consultation with the special committee appointed by the Council, in accordance with the negotiating directives set out below in annex.

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I. SUBSTANCE

1. Context and Definitions

Purpose and scope of the agreements

- 1.1 FLEGT Partnership Agreements aim to contribute to timber-producing countries' commitments to promote sustainable forest management by supporting improved forest law enforcement and governance. This covers governance reforms and capacity building supported by actions aimed at developing multilateral co-operation and complementary demand side measures. These are designed to achieve the ultimate elimination of illegally produced timber from a partner country's international and domestic trade and includes the FLEGT licensing scheme for the trade between partner countries and the EU.
- 1.2 By entering into a Partnership Agreement, a state or a regional organisation consents to be legally bound to the obligations therein, including any obligations relating to the establishment and implementation of the FLEGT licensing scheme in accordance with the timing stipulated in the FLEGT Partnership Agreement.
