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Subject: **EARLY WARNING**

Full Powers for the signing of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Kazakhstan (see docs. 9445/15 and 9452/15)

In order to prepare for the signing of the abovementioned Agreement by Member States, which is envisaged to take place in Brussels **in the margins of the Foreign Affairs Council of 16 November 2015**, Member States are requested to ensure that an instrument of Full Powers* is duly issued, authorising their respective plenipotentiary to sign.

The original of these Full Powers, or at least a copy thereof, should be sent to the Council's Agreements Office¹ (for the attention of Luc DE HERT) by the date of the signature, at the latest.

* Full Powers are required to be issued to any plenipotentiary who is not a Head of State, Head of Government or a Minister for Foreign Affairs (see Article 7 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties). However, and in case of participation of the Permanent Representative, those Member States' Permanent Representatives who have communicated to the General Secretariat of the Council a general authorisation from their authorities to sign EU Agreements on behalf of their country are exempt from this requirement.

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