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Subject:	Draft Council Decision concerning the accession of Croatia to the Convention of 26 May 1997, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3(2)(c) of the Treaty on European Union, on the fight against corruption involving officials of the European Communities or officials of Member States of the European Union

Delegations will find attached a revised version of the above draft Council Decision. This text will be submitted to a legal- linguistic revision with a view to adoption by the Council.

COUNCIL DECISION

concerning the accession of Croatia to the Convention of 26 May 1997, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3(2)(c) of the Treaty on European Union, on the fight against corruption involving officials of the European Communities or officials of Member States of the European Union

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union,

Having regard to the Treaty of Accession of Croatia

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Croatia (hereinafter referred to as the "Act of Accession"), and in particular Article 3 (5) thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the Commission¹,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament²,

Whereas:

- (1) The Convention on the fight against corruption involving officials of the European Communities or officials of Member States of the European Union (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention against officials' corruption") was signed on 26 May 1997 and entered into force on 28 September 2005.
- (2) Article 3 (4) of the Act of Accession provides that Croatia accedes to the conventions and protocols concluded between the Member States, listed in Annex I to the Act of Accession, which comprises, inter alia, the Convention on the fight against corruption involving officials of the European Communities or officials of Member States of the European Union. They are to enter into force in relation to Croatia on the date determined by the Council.
- (3) In accordance with Article 3 (5) of the Act of Accession the Council is to make all adjustments required by reason of accession to those conventions and protocols,

¹ OJ C , , p. .

² OJ C , , p. .

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Convention against officials' corruption shall enter into force for Croatia on the first day of the first month following the date of **publication** of this decision.

Article 2

The texts of the Convention against officials' corruption drawn up in the Croatian language and annexed to this Decision shall be authentic under the same conditions as the other texts of the Convention against officials' corruption.

Article 3

This Decision shall take effect on the (...) day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

**Text of the Convention on the fight against corruption
involving officials of the European Communities or officials of Member States of the
European Union in the Croatian language**