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To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council

Subject: ERAC dedicated configurations: GPC (High Level Group on Joint Programming) and SFIC (Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation)

- *Approval of revised mandates*
- *Statement by the Commission*

Commission's statement

The Commission observes that since the Strategic Forum for International S&T Cooperation (SFIC) and the High-Level Group on Joint Programming (GPC) are dedicated configurations of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC), point 10 of the mandate of that body (annexed to the Council conclusions of 1 December 2015) is applicable with regard to the participation of representatives from countries associated to Horizon 2020.