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STATEMENT BY GERMANY

Germany welcomes the amendments in the Presidency compromise texts. Regarding the amendment in Art. 1 of the "draft Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Joint Committee established by the Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the linking of their greenhouse gas emissions trading systems regarding the adoption of its Rules of Procedure" Germany would like to note that the amendments negotiated in the meetings of the Working Party on the Environment and reflected in the Presidency compromise text cannot be considered "minor changes".