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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council
Subject:	European Union action for the European Heritage Label <i>- Appointment by the Council of four members of the European panel for the period 2019-2021</i>

1. In accordance with Council Decision 2011/831/EU¹, every three years the Council appoints four members of the European panel of independent experts for the European Heritage Label. Since the mandate of the current members will expire at the end of 2018, the Council needs to appoint four new members for the period 2019-2021.
2. Article 2(4) of Council Decision 2011/831/EU, which sets out the practical and procedural arrangements for this purpose, provides for the selection of experts to be done by the means of a draw. The draw is organised from among the valid submissions received.
3. Following the invitation to submit candidates, ten Member States sent the Council Secretariat written submissions that met the requirements set out in Article 2(2) of Decision 2011/831/EU and in the Annex thereto².

¹ OJ L 330, 14.12.2011, p. 23.

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4. The draw, at which the Council Legal Service was represented, took place at the meeting of the Cultural Affairs Committee on 16 October 2018, and the following candidates were selected:

Category 1: European history and cultures - **Ms Eva-Maria SENG (Germany)** and **Mr Juris URTANS (Latvia)**

Category 3: Cultural management, including the heritage dimension - **Ms Svetlana HRISTOVA (Bulgaria)**

Category 4: Communication and tourism - **Ms Pille RUNNEL (Estonia)**

5. It is therefore suggested that the Committee of Permanent Representatives invite the Council to appoint, as an "A" item at one of its forthcoming meetings, the following four members to form part of the European panel for the European Heritage Label for the period 2019-2021:

- Ms Eva-Maria SENG
- Mr Juris URTANS
- Ms Svetlana HRISTOVA
- Ms Pille RUNNEL.
