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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council
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Subject: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Union and the Arab Republic of Egypt setting out the terms and conditions for participation of the Arab Republic of Egypt in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA)
- *Adoption*

1. On 11 August 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the signing¹ of the above-mentioned Agreement as well as a proposal for a Council Decision on its conclusion².

¹ Doc. 11682/17 + ADD 1

² Doc. 11678/17 + ADD 1

2. On 25 September 2017, the Council adopted the Decision on the signing³ of the Agreement. At the same time and in accordance with Article 218(6)(a)(v) TFEU, the Council decided to forward the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in document 11965/17 RECH 297 MED 71 AGRI 456 MIGR 169 RELEX 734 EG 13, together with the Agreement itself⁴, to the European Parliament for its consent, with a view to preparing the future conclusion of the Agreement.
3. The Agreement with the Arab Republic of Egypt was signed on 27 October 2017.
4. On 30 November 2017, the European Parliament provided its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.
5. The Permanent Representatives' Committee is therefore invited to recommend that the Council adopts, as an "A" item on the agenda of one of its forthcoming meetings, the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of the agreement as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in doc. 11965/17.

³ Doc. 11915/17

⁴ Doc. 11926/17