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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Joint Committee established by the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of the Philippines, of the other part as regards the adoption of decisions on the rules of procedure of the Joint Committee and of terms of reference of the specialised sub-committees

– Adoption

1. On 29 April 2019, the Commission submitted to the Council a Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Joint Committee established by the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of the Philippines, of the other part as regards the adoption of decisions on the rules of procedure of the Joint Committee and of the terms of reference of the specialised sub-committees (9261/19 + ADD 1).

2. Following examination of the proposal, the Asia Oceania Working Party agreed on the draft Council Decision on 11 June 2019, after including Article 207 TFEU as an additional legal basis to the Decision.
3. The Permanent Representatives Committee is accordingly invited to recommend that the Council at one of its upcoming meetings:
 - adopts as an 'A' item the Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the Joint Committee established by the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of the Philippines, of the other part, as regards the adoption of decisions on the rules of procedure of the Joint Committee and on the terms of reference of the specialised subcommittees, as set out after finalisation by the Legal/Linguistic experts in document 10304/19.
