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Subject: END OF WRITTEN PROCEDURE

Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the 12th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization

- Adoption

Second set of Council conclusions at the end of the 12th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization

- Approval

Delegations are informed that the written procedure opened by CM 3444/22 of 17 June 2022 was completed on 17 June 2022 at 07.00 and that all delegations voted in favour of:

- (1) opening the written procedure for the intended purpose;
- (2) applying Article 14(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure to allow the documents referred to in the following points not to be available in all the languages provided for by the language rules in force;

- (3) adopting the Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the 12th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization as set out, after finalisation of the text by the legal/linguistic experts, in 9157/1/22 REV 1; and
- (4) approving the second set of Council conclusions at the end of the 12th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization, as set out in 9917/22 REV 1.

Therefore, the above Decision is adopted and the above conclusions are approved.

The statement by the Commission is reproduced in the Annex to this CM. It will be included in the summary of acts adopted by the written procedure as statement to be entered in the Council minutes, in accordance with Article 12(1), third subparagraph, of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

Statement by the Commission

The Commission considers that the Council Decision should be addressed to the Commission, and therefore considers the changes to Article 2 to be inappropriate.

The expression of the Union position in a body set up by an agreement is an act of external representation of the Union which, in accordance with Article 17(1) TEU, is the institutional prerogative of the Commission.

The Commission reserves all its rights in this regard.
