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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject: Attendance of International IDEA at the Working Party on Human Rights (COHOM) on 18 January 2023

1. The provisional agenda of the meeting of the members of the Working Party on Human Rights (COHOM) on 18 January 2023 is foreseen to include an item on democracy.
2. The COHOM Chair would therefore like to invite Sam Van Der Staak and Marilyn Neven of International IDEA (Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance) to give a presentation and hold an informal exchange of views on the above item.
3. The Chair considers that this invitation is in the interest of the Council and in line with the framework applicable to the occasional presence of third parties, including interest representatives, at meetings of the Council or of its preparatory bodies consolidated in the Comments on the Council's Rules of Procedure.
4. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to approve the attendance of representatives of International IDEA in the margins of the COHOM meeting on 18 January 2023.