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**NOTE**

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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Deletion of the OTP Bank from the Ukrainian site - <i>Request from the Hungarian Delegation</i>

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Delegations will find in ANNEX a document submitted by the Hungarian Delegation to be presented under "Any other business" at the Foreign Affairs/Trade Council at its session on 25 May 2023.

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**Explanatory note for an AOB on occasion of the FAC/TRADE meeting (25th May) by  
Hungary**

-----to be shared before FAC Trade-----

Mr. Peter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade intends to raise the issue of OTP Bank, a Hungarian Bank that was listed by the Ukrainian Anti-Corruption Agency (NAZK) as an ‘*international sponsor of the war*’ on 5 May 2023. In support of its decision to stigmatise the OTP Bank, NAZK made a number of statements that are unfounded and questionable. Minister Szijjártó would like to highlight the key inaccuracies regarding the claims of NAZK and give voice to the Hungarian concerns.

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