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## **COMMUNICATION**

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Subject:	EARLY WARNING Full Powers for the signing of the Agreement for the termination of Bilateral Investment Treaties between the Member States of the European Union

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In order to prepare for the signing of the abovementioned Agreement, which is envisaged to take place in Brussels on 5 May 2020, in the margins of the meeting of COREPER 2, the participating Member States are requested, if required \*, to ensure that an Instrument of Full Powers, authorising their plenipotentiary to sign, is duly issued and deposited with the Council's Treaties and Agreements Office <sup>1</sup>.

\* Full Powers are required to be issued to any plenipotentiary who is not a Head of State, Head of Government or a Minister for Foreign Affairs (see Article 7 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties). However, those Member States' Permanent Representatives who have communicated to the General Secretariat of the Council a general authorisation from their authorities to sign EU Agreements on behalf of their country are exempt from this requirement.

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