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Subject:	EARLY WARNING Full Powers for the signing of the Advanced Framework Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Chile, of the other part (AFA) - (ST 11670/23 and ADD 1 & ADD 2)

With reference to communication CM 5081/23 of 26 October 2023, Member States are informed that the Council Decision concerning the signing of the abovementioned Agreement has been approved by Coreper II on 8 November 2023 and is foreseen to be adopted by JAI Council on 5 December 2023.

The signing by the EU and the Republic of Chile is now planned to take place on 14 December 2023. At the same time, the Interim Agreement on Trade between the European Union and the Republic of Chile (ITA) – (ST 11668/23 and ADD 1 & ADD 2) will also be signed.

Member States are required to sign the Agreement (AFA) beforehand. For this purpose, the Agreement will be available for Member States' Permanent Representatives to sign in the margins of the Coreper II meeting on 6 December and the informal Coreper II meeting on 13 December 2023.

Member States are requested, if required *, to ensure that an instrument of Full Powers, authorising their respective plenipotentiary to sign, is duly issued and deposited with the Council's Treaties and Agreements Office¹.

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* 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.