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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision on the conclusion of the Sustainable Investment Facilitation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Angola - Adoption

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1. On 16 June 2023, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Decision on the signing<sup>1</sup>, on behalf of the European Union, of the Sustainable Investment Facilitation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Angola, as well as a proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion<sup>2</sup> of that Agreement.
2. On 9 October 2023, the Council adopted the Decision on the signing<sup>3</sup> of the Agreement. At the same time and in accordance with Article 218(6), second subparagraph, point (a)(v) of the TFEU, the Council decided to forward the draft Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in document 10942/23, together with the Agreement itself<sup>4</sup>, to the European Parliament for its consent, with a view to preparing for the future conclusion of the Agreement.

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<sup>1</sup> 10770/23 + ADD 1.

<sup>2</sup> 10771/23 + ADD 1.

<sup>3</sup> 10940/23 (published in OJ L, 2023/2209, 17.10.2023).

<sup>4</sup> 10941/23 + COR 2.

3. The Agreement was signed on 17 November 2023.
4. On 7 February 2024, the European Parliament gave its consent to the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement.
5. On 20 February 2024, the ACP Working Party endorsed the draft Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement.
6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is accordingly invited to recommend that the Council, as an "A" item on its agenda:
  - adopt the Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Sustainable Investment Facilitation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Angola as set out, after finalisation by the legal-linguistic experts, in document 10942/23;
  - note that the European Parliament will be informed in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU, and that the Council Decision will be transmitted to the European Parliament; and
  - order the publication of the abovementioned Council Decision together with the text of the Agreement as set out in documents ST 10941/23 + COR 2 in the Official Journal of the European Union.