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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
Subject:	Draft COUNCIL DECISION appointing a member of the European Statistical Governance Board (ESGAB) - Adoption

1. In accordance with Article 3(3) of Decision No 2008/235/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Statistical Governance Advisory Board (ESGAB) of 11 March 2008, the Council appoints three members of the Board after consulting the European Commission.
2. The Council appointed Ms Martine DURAND for a period of three years, starting on 1 June 2022. Ms DURAND has resigned for personal reasons before the end of her mandate. Article 3(5) of the abovementioned Decision establishing the ESGAB states that “*if a member resigns before the expiry of his or her term of office, he or she shall be replaced by a new member, appointed in accordance with this Article, who shall serve a full term*”.

3. On 29 January 2024, the Economic and Financial Committee (EFC) recommended the Council to appoint Ms Sandrine DUCHÊNE as the new member to replace Ms DURAND in the ESGAB (ST 5728/24).
 4. On 15 February 2024, the Council consulted the Commission on the candidacy of Ms DUCHÊNE. In a letter of 14 March 2024, the Commission gave its favourable opinion.
 5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to invite the Council to adopt the Decision appointing a member of the ESGAB, as set out in document ST 8392/24 and finalised by lawyer-linguists, as an "A-item" in one of its forthcoming meetings and to publish the Decision in the Official Journal of the European Union.
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