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Subject:	COUNCIL DECISION on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and Canada, of the other part, on the participation of Canada in Union programmes - Adoption COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and Canada, of the other part, on the participation of Canada in Union programmes - Agreement in principle - Request for the consent of the European Parliament = Statement by the Commission

COMMISSION STATEMENT

The Commission considers that the Court of Justice has clarified in its judgment of 9 April 2024 in case C-551/21 that ensuring the signing of international agreements outside the area of the CFSP is a prerogative of the Commission in accordance with the Treaties. It is therefore not for the Council to lay down provisions as to the signing by the Commission of international agreements outside the area of the CFSP.