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## PROPOSAL

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From: Secretary-General of the European Commission,  
signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director

date of receipt: 12 May 2020

To: Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of  
the European Union

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Subject: ANNEX to the Proposal for a Council Decision establishing the position to  
be taken on behalf of the European Union in the EPA Committee set up by  
the stepping stone Economic Partnership Agreement between Côte  
d'Ivoire, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member  
States, of the other part, in connection with the adoption of the list of  
arbitrators

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**to the**

**Proposal for a Council Decision**

**establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the EPA Committee set up by the stepping stone Economic Partnership Agreement between Côte d'Ivoire, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part, in connection with the adoption of the list of arbitrators**

**DRAFT**

**DECISION No .../2020 of the EPA Committee  
established by the stepping stone Economic Partnership Agreement  
between Côte d'Ivoire, of the one part,  
and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part**

**of ...**

**concerning the adoption of the list of arbitrators**

THE EPA COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the stepping stone Economic Partnership Agreement between Côte d'Ivoire, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part ('the Agreement'), signed in Brussels on 3 March 2009 and applied on a provisional basis since September 2016, in particular Article 64(1) thereof,

Whereas:

The Agreement provides that the EPA Committee is to establish a list of 15 persons who are willing and able to serve as arbitrators in the settlement of disputes that may arise between the Parties,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

1. The list of 15 persons who are willing and able to serve as arbitrators is hereby established in accordance with Article 64(1) of the Agreement and is set out in the Annex to this Decision.
2. The list of arbitrators referred to in paragraph 1 is established without prejudice to any special rules provided for in the Agreement or which may be decided by the EPA Committee.

*Article 2*

The list of arbitrators referred to in Article 1 may be amended by a decision of the EPA Committee in accordance with Article 67 of the Agreement.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

Done at ..., ...

*For the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire*

...

*For the European Union*

...

## ANNEX

### List of arbitrators (Article 64(1) of the Agreement)

#### Arbitrators selected by Côte d'Ivoire:

Mr Abbe YAO – Côte d'Ivoire  
Mr Abdouramane OUATTARA – Côte d'Ivoire  
Mr Joachim BILA AKA – Côte d'Ivoire  
Mr Narcisse AKA – Côte d'Ivoire  
Mr Karim FADIKA – Côte d'Ivoire

#### Arbitrators selected by the European Union:

Mr Claus-Dieter EHLERMANN – Germany  
Mr Giorgio SACERDOTI – Italy  
Mr Jacques BOURGEOIS – Belgium  
Mr Pieter Jan KUIJPER – Netherlands  
Ms Hélène RUIZ FABRI – France

#### Arbitrators jointly selected by the two Parties:

Mr Martial AKAKPO - Togo  
Ms Anna KOUYATE – Mali  
Mr Thomas COTTIER – Switzerland  
Ms Merit E. JANOW – United States  
Mr Helge SELAND – Norway