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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION authorising the opening of negotiations with the Republic of Angola for an agreement on investment facilitation

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2021/...

of ...

**authorising the opening of negotiations with the Republic of Angola
for an agreement on investment facilitation**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular the first subparagraph of Article 207(4), in conjunction with Article 218(3) and (4) thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Negotiations should be opened with a view to concluding an agreement on investment facilitation with Angola.
- (2) In order to ensure coherence and consistency in negotiations on investment facilitation with other African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries, the negotiations with Angola should be conducted in line with the text of the negotiating directives relating to investment facilitation set out in Council Decision (EU) 2020/13¹,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

¹ Council Decision (EU) 2020/13 of 19 December 2019 amending the negotiating directives for the negotiation of Economic Partnership Agreements with the African, Caribbean and Pacific countries and regions, to the extent that they fall within the competence of the Union (OJ L 6, 10.1.2020, p. 101).

Article 1

1. The Commission is hereby authorised to open negotiations for an agreement on investment facilitation with the Republic of Angola.
2. The negotiations shall be conducted on the basis of the negotiating directives of the Council set out in the addendum to this Decision.

Article 2

The Commission is hereby nominated as the Union negotiator.

Article 3

The negotiations shall be conducted in consultation with the **ACP Working Party**. The Trade Policy Committee shall be associated.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Commission.

Done at ...,

For the Council

The President
