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Subject: Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors as regards the amendment of Decision No 3/2019 of the ACP-EU Committee of Ambassadors to adopt transitional measures pursuant to Article 95(4) of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement  
- Statement by the Commission

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**Statement by the Commission**

**to be recorded in the Coreper and Council minutes**

“The Commission considers that the Council Decision should be addressed to the Commission, and therefore considers the changes to Article 2 to be inappropriate.

The expression of the Union position in a body set up by an agreement is an act of external representation of the Union which, in accordance with Article 17(1) TEU, is the institutional prerogative of the Commission.

The Commission reserves all its rights in this regard.”