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From:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
To:	Council
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Subject:	Draft Council Implementing Decision setting out a recommendation on addressing the deficiencies identified in the 2019 evaluation of Poland on the application of the Schengen <i>acquis</i> in the field of the Schengen Information System - Adoption

1. Following the Council's adoption of Regulation (EU) No 1053/2013 establishing an evaluation and monitoring mechanism to verify the application of the Schengen *acquis*, a team of experts from the Member States and the Commission carried out an evaluation of Poland on the application of the Schengen *acquis* in the field of the Schengen Information System in 2019.
2. In accordance with that Regulation, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Implementing Decision setting out a Recommendation designed to address the deficiencies identified in the course of the evaluation and ensure that Poland applies all Schengen rules related to the Schengen Information System correctly and effectively.

3. The Working Party for Schengen Matters (Evaluation), including the Mixed Committee partners Norway, Iceland, Switzerland and Liechtenstein, approved the proposal for the Council Implementing Decision setting out a Recommendation on 16 December 2019.
 4. On 8 January 2020, COREPER agreed to send the text set out in document 15252/19 EU RESTRICTED for adoption by the Council as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting. The United Kingdom has indicated that it will abstain in the Council.
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