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## **COMMUNICATION**

## WRITTEN PROCEDURE

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Subject:	PUBLIC ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS
	<ul><li>Confirmatory application No 43/c/02/21</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Outcome of the written procedure initiated by CM 1372/22</li> </ul>

Delegations are informed that the written procedure opened by CM 1372/22 of 26 January 2022 was completed on 1 February 2022 and that the majority of delegations agreed to the approval of the Council's reply to the above-mentioned confirmatory application, as set out in document 5215/22.

The joint statement by The Netherlands, Finland and Sweden is reproduced in the annex to this CM.

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## Statement by The Netherlands, Finland and Sweden

The Netherlands, Finland and Sweden cannot concur with the reasoning in the draft reply to confirmatory application No 43/c/02/21 that full disclosure of the requested documents would specifically and actually undermine the protection of the public interest as regards the international relations, since parts of the requested documents are based on public information. The Netherlands, Finland and Sweden are of the opinion that the parts of the documents that are based on public information should be disclosed.

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