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Subject:	EARLY WARNING Full Powers for the signing of the Agreement on the interpretation and application of the Energy Charter Treaty - (PE-CONS 15/1/25 REV 1)

Member States are informed that the signing of the abovementioned Agreement is envisaged to take place in Brussels in early December 2025. The practical modalities will be communicated in due course.

In order to prepare for the signing of the abovementioned Agreement, the 26 participating Member States are requested, if required *, to ensure that an Instrument of Full Powers, authorising their plenipotentiary to sign, is duly issued and deposited with the Council's Treaties and Agreements Office ¹.

* Full Powers are required to be issued to any plenipotentiary who is not a Head of State, Head of Government or a Minister for Foreign Affairs (see Article 7 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties). However, those Member States' Permanent Representatives who have communicated to the General Secretariat of the Council a general authorisation from their authorities to sign EU Agreements on behalf of their country are exempt from this requirement.

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