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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Council Decision amending the Decision of 30 November 2017 authorising the opening of negotiations with the CARIFORUM States for an agreement on the protection of geographic indications based on Article 145 of the CARIFORUM Agreement, as regards craft and industrial products - Adoption

- On 21 October 2024, the Commission submitted a recommendation for a Council Decision
 amending the Decision of 30 November 2017 authorising the opening of negotiations with the
 CARIFORUM States for an agreement on the protection of geographic indications based on
 Article 145 of the CARIFORUM Agreement, as regards craft and industrial products.
- 2. The recommendation for a Council Decision was examined by the ACP Working Party which, at its meeting on 19 November 2024, reached agreement on the draft Council Decision and on the related draft amendment to the negotiating directives.

- 3. It is therefore suggested that the Permanent Representatives Committee invite the Council to:
 - adopt the above-mentioned draft Council Decision, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and as set out in ST 15897/24;
 - adopt the addendum to ST 15897/24 containing the draft amendment to the negotiating directives;
 - decide to publish the Council Decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union* after its adoption;
 - decide to inform the European Parliament of the adoption of the above-mentioned decision in accordance with Article 218(10) TFEU;
 - decide to transmit the text of the adopted Council Decision to the European Parliament;
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 - decide to transmit the text of the adopted amendment to the negotiating directives to the
 European Parliament.

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