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from : Political and Security Committee
on : 24 October 2008
to : Permanent Representatives Committee

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Subject : Three-year Action Programme for the African Peace Facility, 2008-2010
(10th EDF)

1. In accordance with Article 12 of the Regulation on the implementation of the 10th EDF¹, the Commission has drawn up an action programme for 2008 to 2010 concerning the implementation of the African Peace Facility (EUR 300 million).

The action programme sets out the arrangements and specific procedures for implementation, and will serve as a basis for the financing agreement to be concluded between the Commission and the African Union.

2. On 20 October 2008 the ACP Working Party agreed to the text set out in 14551/08.

¹ OJ L 152, 13.6.2007, p. 1.

3. On 24 October 2008 the Political and Security Committee examined the action programme, and it gave its agreement also.
4. Coreper is invited to approve the text of the action programme as set out in 14551/08 by a qualified majority; in application of Article 12(b) of the Regulation on the implementation of the 10th EDF, the text will be forwarded to the Commission for adoption¹.

¹ Article 12(b) stipulates that the action programme shall be discussed by the relevant preparatory Council working groups and the Political and Security Committee and approved by Coreper by qualified majority as defined in Article 8(3) of the Internal Agreement before being adopted by the Commission.