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from : General Secretariat

to : Permanent Representatives Committee

Subject : Treaty, Protocol and Act of Accession with the Republic of Croatia

- **Finalisation of the drafting of the Treaty, Protocol and Act of Accession**
 - **Consultation of the Commission and request for the European Parliament's consent to the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia**
 - **Political agreement on the adaptations required by reason of accession**
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1. Following the conclusion of the accession negotiations with the Republic of Croatia on 30 June 2011, the Ad hoc Working Party on Drafting the Accession Treaty has agreed with the Republic of Croatia at a technical level on the draft texts of the Accession instruments, as negotiated in English and set out in Annex I, subject to legal-linguistic revision.

2. The Ad hoc Working Party on Drafting the Accession Treaty has also agreed with the Republic of Croatia at a technical level on the draft texts, as negotiated in English and set out in Annex II. These concern the adaptations to acts adopted by the institutions by reason of accession and on which political agreement is required at this stage with a view to their adoption by the institutions prior to accession, it being understood that these adaptations may be completed and updated where necessary to take account of the evolution of the law of the Union.

3. These documents are consequently put to the Permanent Representatives Committee for its approval. In this context, the Committee is invited to authorise the General Secretariat to communicate these texts to the Republic of Croatia for its formal confirmation.
4. The Committee is also invited, in accordance with Article 19 of the Council's Rules of Procedure and with Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union to:
 - decide to consult the Commission on the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia and approve the draft letter set out in Annex III.
 - decide to request the European Parliament's consent to the accession of the Republic of Croatia and approve the draft letter set out in Annex IV in order to enable the Council to take subsequently the necessary decision under Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union with a view to signature of the Accession Treaty in early December 2011.

Consolidated version of Treaty concerning the Accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union, as set out in document AC 31/11.

Please note that the Appendix to Annex V of the Treaty is set out in document AC 30/11.



TECHNICAL ADAPTATIONS

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Draft letter

The Chairman of COREPER

To: the President of the Commission

Mr President,

The Permanent Representatives Committee has decided, in accordance with Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union, to consult the Commission on the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia in the light of the outcome of the negotiations with this State set out in the draft Treaty, Accession Protocol and Act of Accession.

The Committee welcomes the Commission's intention to provide the Council with its Opinion on 12 October 2011.

(Closing formula)

Draft letter

The Chairman of COREPER

To: the President of the European Parliament

Mr President,

The Permanent Representatives Committee has decided, in accordance with Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union, to request the European Parliament's consent to the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia in the light of the outcome of the negotiations with this State set out in the draft Treaty, Accession Protocol and Act of Accession.

The Committee welcomes the European Parliament's intention to take a decision at its part session in Brussels on 30 November or 1 December 2011 as a decisive step towards the signature of the Treaty, Accession Protocol and Act of Accession in early December 2011, and the accession of the Republic of Croatia on 1 July 2013.

I would also like to take this opportunity to confirm the Presidency's willingness to provide the European Parliament, with the assistance of the Commission, with all the information necessary to reach a decision and I look forward to continuing our fruitful cooperation.

(Closing formula)
