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From:	Presidency
To:	Coreper/Council
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Subject:	Draft Council Decision authorising certain Member States to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Russia to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction - Adoption

1. On 16 January 2012, the Commission submitted a proposal for a Council Decision on the declaration of acceptance, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Russia to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.
2. The European Parliament was consulted on 17 November 2014 and adopted a positive opinion on 11 February 2015.
3. The Working Party on Civil Law matters (General Questions) examined the Commission proposal several times, and delegations were invited to make comments. In the light of those comments, the proposal has been redrafted as set out in 12104/15. Delegations are in a position to agree on the proposal. Lithuania, however, expressed scrutiny reservations.

4. In the light of the above, Coreper/Council is invited to adopt Council Decision authorising certain Member States, in the interest of the European Union, to accept the accession of Russia to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, as set out in 12104/15.
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