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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

on the signing, on behalf the European Union, of a Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part, extending the provisions of the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement to bilateral trade in textiles

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PROTOCOL

to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part, amending the Agreement in order to extend the provisions of the Agreement to bilateral trade in textiles, taking account of the expiry of the bilateral textiles Agreement

THE EUROPEAN UNION,

of the one part, and

THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN,

of the other part,

hereinafter referred to as "Parties" for the purpose of this Protocol.

Whereas:

(1) The Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part, entered into force on 1 July 1999.

(2) Negotiations have taken place to ensure that the principles in the PCA which apply to trade in other goods are also extended formally to trade in textile products.

(3) Appropriate amendments to the PCA should be adopted,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part, is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article 8(3) is deleted.

2. In Article 11 the references to Article 16 are deleted.

3. Article 16 is deleted.

4. Annex I of the Agreement is deleted.

Article 2

This Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the notification by the European Union or Uzbekistan of the completion of the necessary domestic procedures for the approval of this Protocol, whichever is the latter.

Article 3

This Protocol shall form an integral part of the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement, establishing a partnership between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part.

Article 4

This Protocol is drawn up in duplicate in each of the official languages of the parties, each of these texts being equally authentic.

Done at…..,

For the European Union

For the Republic of Uzbekistan