EU/Croatia agreement: participation of Croatia in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction

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PURPOSE: to propose a Council Decision on the signature of an Agreement between the Republic of Croatia and the European Union on the participation of Croatia in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: the EMCDDA is open to the participation of any third country which shares the interests of the Union and the Member States in the objectives and work of the Centre in accordance with Article 21 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1920/2006. Croatia applied to participate in the work of the EMCDDA in 2005. Following the Council negotiating directive of 11 July 2006, the agreement with Croatia was initialled in July 2009. The Agreement was subsequently revised to take into account the entry into force of the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union (TFEU) and initialled on 22 December 2009.

For details of the Agreement, please see the summary of COM/2010/0021.

It should be noted that Article 218 (5) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union states that the Council, on the proposal by the negotiator, shall adopt a decision authorising the signature of the agreement and, if necessary, its provisional application before entry into force.