EU/Turkey Agreement: readmission of persons residing without authorisation

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PURPOSE: to conclude an Agreement between the European Union and Turkey on the readmission of persons residing without authorisation.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: in accordance with a Council Decision, the Agreement between the European Union and Turkey on the readmission of persons residing without authorisation was signed subject to its conclusion.

It is now necessary to approve this Agreement on behalf of the Agreement.

CONTENT: the proposal aims to call on the Council to conclude, on behalf of the European Union, an Agreement between the European Union and Turkey on the readmission of persons residing without authorisation.

The proposal defines the internal arrangements necessary for its proper application.

Main provisions: the draft Agreement sets out the obligations as regards readmission which are drawn up in a **fully reciprocal way**, comprising own nationals as well as third country nationals and stateless persons.

Institutional provisions: the Agreement is to establish a Joint Readmission Committee which will be able to adopt its rules of procedure. It is appropriate to provide for a simplified procedure for the establishment of the Union position in this case.

For further details of the main elements of this Agreement, *please refer to the summary of the initial legislative proposal dated 22/06/2012*.