EU/Brazil Agreement: amending EU/Brazil Agreement on short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic, service or official passports

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PURPOSE: to conclude the Agreement between the European Union and Brazil amending the Agreement between the European Union and Brazil on short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic and service /official passports.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: the Commission negotiated on behalf of the EU an **agreement with Brazil** amending the EU-Brazil agreement on short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic and service/official passports. The agreement was signed on 27 September 2021, subject to its conclusion. The agreement should now be approved.

CONTENT: the purpose of the draft Council decision is to approve, on behalf of the Union, the agreement between the European Union and Brazil amending the agreement between the European Union and Brazil on **short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic, service or official passports.**

The agreement provides for visa-free travel for EU citizens holding valid diplomatic or service/official passports and for Brazilian citizens holding valid diplomatic or service/official passports when travelling to the territory of the other Contracting Party for a maximum period of 90 days in any period of 180 days.

The proposed decision constitutes a development of the provisions of the Schengen acquis. Ireland is therefore not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and is not bound by it or subject to its application.