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**From:** General Secretariat of the Council  
**To:** Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council

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**Subject:** Memorandum of Understanding on Disaster preparedness with sub-regional intergovernmental entities in Latin America and Caribbean  
– Authorisation to negotiate an NBI

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1. On 17 May 2023, the Commission informed the Council of its intention to enter into negotiations on behalf of the Union on a non-binding instrument in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on disaster preparedness with sub-regional intergovernmental entities in Latin America and the Caribbean (ST 9567/23).
2. It is understood that the Commission will revert to the Council at the end of the negotiations to seek the Council's approval to sign the MoU.
3. The Working Party on Civil Protection (PROCIV) discussed the approach by the Commission at its meeting on 24 May 2023 and confirmed its agreement, after an informal written consultation, on 30 May 2023.

4. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to recommend to the Council to authorise the Commission to open negotiations on the abovementioned MoU on disaster preparedness.
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