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## THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 240(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- When an act is to be adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority, it has to be verified that the Member States constituting the qualified majority represent at least 65 % of the population of the Union.
- (2) That percentage is calculated according to the population figures set out in Annex III to the Council's Rules of Procedure ('the Rules of Procedure')<sup>(1)</sup>.
- (3) Article 11(6) of the Rules of Procedure provides that, with effect from 1 January each year, the Council is to amend the figures set out in that Annex, in accordance with the data available to the Statistical Office of the European Union on 30 September of the preceding year.
- (4) The Rules of Procedure should therefore be amended accordingly for the year 2021.
- (5) In accordance with Article 106a of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, Article 240 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union applies to the European Atomic Energy Community,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

Annex III to the Rules of Procedure is replaced by the following:

ANNEX **Hi**gures concerning the population of the Union and the population of each Member State for implementing the provisions concerning qualified majority voting in the CouncilMember StatePopulationPercentage of the population of the Union (%)Germany83 100 96118,54France67 098 82414,97Italy60 897 89113,58Spain47 329 98110,56Poland37 958 1388,47Romania19 317 9844,31Netherlands17 549 4573,91Belgium11 549 8882,58Greece10 709 7392,39Czechia10 557 0012,35Sweden10 330 0002,30Portugal10 295 9092,30Hungary9 769 5262,18Austria8 897 0001,98Bulgaria6 951 4821,55Denmark5 816 4431,30Finland5 521 2921,23Slovakia5 457 8731,22Ireland4 964 4401,11Croatia4 058 1650,91Lithuania2 794 0900,62Slovenia2 095 8610,47Latvia1 907 6750,43Estonia1 328 9760,30Cyprus888

*Changes to legislation:* There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2020/2030. (See end of Document for details)

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#### Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal* of the European Union.

It shall apply from 1 January 2021.

Done at Brussels, 10 December 2020.

For the Council The President M. ROTH