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- Political agreement

STATEMENT BY CYPRUS TO BE ENTERED IN THE COUNCIL MINUTES

"Cyprus has thoroughly and repeatedly explained the highly sensitive political grounds that did not allow her to give her consent to the adoption of a number of Community acts that were adopted pursuant to the Regulations that are to be repealed by Article 195 of the proposed Regulation at hand.

It therefore suffices here to underline once more that we express our regret that a number of Community acts related to export refunds that have been adopted, include a reference to the areas of the Republic of Cyprus in which the Government of the Republic of Cyprus does not exercise effective control, in a manner that the areas in question receive treatment equivalent to third country destinations.

Such treatment is, in our view, contrary to primary law of the EU, and in particular Protocol 10 of the Act of Accession 2003. I would like to clarify, in this respect, that the areas of the Republic of Cyprus in which the Government of the Republic does not exercise effective control are part of the territory of the Republic of Cyprus, and can by no means be treated as a third country or territory, as referred to in the Community acts in question. What Protocol 10 clearly states that the application of the *acquis* in the areas not under the effective control of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus has been temporarily suspended, and by no means gives any form of third country status to the areas in question.

In view of the above, and due to the fact that the Community acts that include such a reference to the areas of the Republic of Cyprus in which the Government of the Republic of Cyprus does not exercise effective control continue to be valid on the basis of Article 195 of the proposed Regulation at hand, Cyprus is obliged to withhold its consent to the adoption of the Regulation before us."
