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## **COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL**

**on the withdrawal of**

**the Commission Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of a Protocol amending the Agreement on the international occasional carriage of passengers by coach and bus (Interbus Agreement) by extending the possibility of accession to the Kingdom of Morocco (COM(2020) 770 final of 30.11.2020)**

**and**

**the Commission Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol amending the Agreement on the international occasional carriage of passengers by coach and bus (Interbus Agreement) by extending the possibility of accession to the Kingdom of Morocco (COM(2020) 769 final of 30.11.2020)**

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

The Commission hereby informs the Council that it is withdrawing two proposals submitted on 30 November 2020 to the Council as follows:

- Commission Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of a Protocol amending the Agreement on the international occasional carriage of passengers by coach and bus (Interbus Agreement) by extending the possibility of accession to the Kingdom of Morocco (COM(2020) 770 final);
- Commission Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol amending the Agreement on the international occasional carriage of passengers by coach and bus (Interbus Agreement) by extending the possibility of accession to the Kingdom of Morocco (COM(2020) 769 final).

The reason for these withdrawals is that the Kingdom of Morocco indicated by Note Verbale of 8 January 2021, that it would not be ready to sign and conclude the above-mentioned Protocol.

Therefore, the proposals have become superfluous and should be withdrawn.