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## Resolution of the 13th Standing Committee (land use, environment, Environmental Assets)

(rapporteur caleo) adopted on 7 April 2016 on

PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DECISION ON THE SIGNING, ON BEHALF OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, ADOPTED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE (COM (2016) 62) (COMMUNITY ACT NO 112)

Pursuant to Article 144 (1) and (6) of the Rules of Procedure

Sent to the President's Office on 12 April 2016

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The Committee,

Having examined, pursuant to Article 144, paragraphs 1 and 6, of the rule and the chin, the proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Paris Agreement, adopted within the framework of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COM (2016) 62),

whereas this document establishes the authorisation the signing, on behalf of the European Union, to the Paris Agreement, with -adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) scheduled for 22 April 2016;

recalled that the global agreement on the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and finalised during the 2p confe -renza of the parties to the UNFCCC (COP 21), held in Paris from 30 to 12 December 2015 to BRE Novem. On 22 April 2016 will be held in New York as a high level ceremony for the signature of the Agreement that rimarra open for one year. The Agreement entrera then in force on the thirtieth day succes -sivo when at least fifty-five parties (representing an estimated total of at least 55 per cent of the total emissions of greenhouse gases have deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession;

Given that the Paris Agreement is a positive step, re -in addition to the 1997 Kyoto Protocol, strengthening the global action with -lettiva and in accelerating the global transformation to a low-carbon and -conomia a company carbon and resilient to climate change minds. It sets a target of reducing the EMIS to qualitative long-term emissions in line with the objective of keeping global temperature increase to well below 2 °C and to continue efforts to keep at 1.5 °C. To this end, the parties are required to establish plans or update national emission reduction Climate and and envisaged that from 2023 onwards every five years, the point of the parties is to, to monitor progress and assess emission reductions;

whereas the European Union and its Member States have co -municato, on 6 March 2015, in view of the Agreement, their contributions intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs), by working towards a minimum target of reducing domestic greenhouse gas emissions of 40 per cent by 2030 compared to 1990, as stated in the conclusions of the European Council of 23 ot -tobre 2014 framework for climate and energy policies in a 2030 perspective;

Given that the signature on behalf of the European Union of the Paris Agreement, provided for by Article 218 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) to (u), fall under the exclusive competence of the Union,

meaning of Article 3(2) TFEU, and therefore the proposed Decision and subject to the procedure of scrutiny for sidiarieta sus- principle provided for in Protocol No 2 annexed to the TFEU;

took note of the information given by the rapporteur to the conduct of the negotiations which led to the agreement in Paris (COP 21 and COMM -nicazioni thereon made by the Minister of the environment and protection of the B -ritorio and Sea at its sitting of 3 February 2016,

issues, within its remit, a favourable opinion.

## **Opinion of the 14th Standing Committee** (EUROPEAN UNION POLICIES)

(rapporteur: MIRABELLI)

7 April 2016

Having examined the Community act, the Committee,

whereas this document establishes the authorisation the signing, on behalf of the European Union, to the Paris Agreement, with -adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) scheduled for 22 April 2016;

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gives its favourable opinion.