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COUNCIL DECISION (EU, Euratom) 2024/3231
of 17 December 2024
amending the Council's Rules of Procedure

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:

- (1) 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 ⁽¹⁾ (the 'Rules of Procedure').
- (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 Annex III thereto, 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 2025.
- (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 III

Figures concerning the population of the Union and the population of each Member State for implementing the provisions concerning qualified majority voting in the Council

Member State	Population	Indicative percentage of the population of the Union (%)
Germany	83 399 432	18,49
France	68 401 997	15,17
Italy	59 685 948	13,23
Spain	48 630 010	10,78
Poland	37 565 715	8,33
Romania	19 064 409	4,23
Netherlands	18 089 177	4,01
Belgium	11 832 049	2,62

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2009/937/EU of 1 December 2009 adopting the Council's Rules of Procedure (OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2009/937/oj>).

Member State	Population	Indicative percentage of the population of the Union (%)
Czechia	10 916 836	2,42
Portugal	10 639 726	2,36
Sweden	10 573 000	2,34
Greece	10 401 302	2,31
Hungary	9 584 627	2,13
Austria	9 132 500	2,02
Bulgaria	6 445 481	1,43
Denmark	5 954 471	1,32
Finland	5 619 851	1,25
Slovakia	5 455 252	1,21
Ireland	5 351 681	1,19
Croatia	3 861 967	0,86
Lithuania	2 885 891	0,64
Slovenia	2 123 949	0,47
Latvia	1 871 882	0,42
Estonia	1 374 687	0,30
Cyprus	933 505	0,21
Luxembourg	670 093	0,15
Malta	563 443	0,12'
EU-27	451 028 881	
Threshold (65 %)	293 168 773	

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 2025.

Done at Brussels, 17 December 2024.

For the Council

The President

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