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Secretary General,
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RE: SIGNING OF THE EAC-EU-EPA

Please refer to your letter Ref. C&T 2/2/3 dated 30th June, 2016 regarding the above-mentioned subject matter.

In your letter referred above among other things you requested Partner States to provide the name of the signatory to the EPA by 5th July, 2016. We wish to inform you that, due to the prevailing circumstances, the United Republic of Tanzania will not be able to sign the EPA until when circumstances allow doing so.

The purpose of this letter is to convey to you this message and request you to inform other EAC Partner States and the EU accordingly.

Please accept, Secretary General, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aziz P. Mlima', written over a faint circular stamp.

Amb. Dr. Aziz P. Mlima
PERMANENT SECRETARY