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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Draft Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 445/2014/EU establishing a Union action for the European Capitals of Culture for the years 2020 to 2033 (**First reading**)
- Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 17 June 2016 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 167(5) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The Committee of the Regions was consulted.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 13 June 2017. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council².
4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to confirm its agreement and to suggest that the Council approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 25/17, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

¹ 10532/16.

² 10329/17.

If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the President of the European Parliament and the President of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.
