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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1007/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on trade in seal products and repealing Commission Regulation (EU) No 737/2010 (first reading)
	- Adoption of the legislative act (LA + S)

- 1. On 6 February 2015 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 114 TFEU, to the Council.
- 2. <u>The European Economic and Social Committee</u> delivered its opinion on 27 May 2015².
- 3. <u>The European Parliament</u> adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 8 September 2015. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council³.

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Not yet published.

³ 11727/15.

- 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 44/15 as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the Swedish delegation voting against and the Danish,
 Estonian, French and Finnish delegations abstaining;
 - order that the statements in the <u>addendum</u> to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting.

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.

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