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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 (EU) No 99/2013 on the European statistical programme 2013-17, by extending it to 2020 ( <b>first reading</b> ) - Adoption of the legislative act

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1. On 7 September 2016 the Commission sent its proposal<sup>1</sup>, based on Article 338(1) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 14 December 2016<sup>2</sup>. The Committee of the Regions was consulted<sup>3</sup>.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 14 September 2017. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council<sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> 12056/16.

<sup>2</sup> OJ C 75, 10.3.2017, p. 53.

<sup>3</sup> Not yet published.

<sup>4</sup> 12068/16.

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 29/17, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the United Kingdom delegation abstaining.

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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