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

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Subject: Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (codification) **(first reading)**  
- Adoption of the legislative act

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1. On 14 March 2018, the Commission sent its proposal<sup>1</sup>, based on Article 77(2)(a) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 2 October 2018. 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>2</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> 7212/18.

<sup>2</sup> 12688/18.

3. 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 50/18, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming 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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