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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the limitation of emissions of certain pollutants into the air from medium combustion plants (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act (LA+S)

1. On 20 December 2013 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 192(1) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 9 July 2014². The Committee of the Regions delivered its opinion on 7 October 2014³.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 7 October 2015. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council⁴.

¹ 18170/13.

² OJ C 451, 16.12.2014, p. 134.

³ OJ C 415, 20.11.2014, p. 23.

⁴ 12345/15.

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 42/15 as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the Romanian delegation abstaining;
- order that the statements in the addendum 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.
