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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 1920/2006 as regards information exchange on, and an early warning system and risk assessment procedure for, new psychoactive substances ( <b>first reading</b> ) - Adoption of the legislative act

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1. On 30 August 2016 the Commission sent its proposal<sup>1</sup>, based on Article 168(5) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 19 October 2016<sup>2</sup>. The Committee of the Regions was consulted.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 24 October 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>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> 11520/16.

<sup>2</sup> OJ C 34, 2.2.2017, p. 182.

<sup>3</sup> 13551/17.

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 26/17, 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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