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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the initial qualification and periodic training of drivers of certain road vehicles for the carriage of goods or passengers (codification) (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 1 February 2021 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 91 TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 24 February 2021².
3. The European Committee of the Regions was consulted and decided not to issue an opinion.
4. On 22 November 2022 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council³.

¹ 5838/21 + ADD1.

² OJ C 155, 30.4.2021, p. 78.

³ 15171/22.

5. 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 1/22, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.
6. If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the Presidents of the European Parliament and of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
