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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
establishing a framework on market access to port services and financial
transparency of ports (**first reading**)
- Adoption of the legislative act (**LA + S**)

1. On 23 May 2013 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 100(2) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 10 July 2013². The Committee of the Regions delivered its opinion on 28 November 2013³.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 14 December 2016. 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 10154/13.

² OJ C 327, 12.11.2013, p. 111.

³ OJ C 114, 15.4.2014, p. 57.

⁴ 15522/16.

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 41/16, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the United Kingdom delegation voting against;
 - 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.
