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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Review of the European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS)
	- Letter received from the European Parliament

Delegations will find attached, for information, a letter received from the rapporteurs of the European Parliament on this subject.

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Strasbourg, 15 January 2019

Subject: Review of the European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS)

Dear Chair,

As you are well aware, on 10 January 2019, the European Parliament's Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON) adopted with a vast majority its position on the full ESFS review legislative package, based on the European Commission's proposals from 20 September 2017 and 12 September 2018, respectively. At the same time, ECON also gave a strong mandate to the negotiating team to enter into interinstitutional negotiations with the Council on this legislative package.

It is of high importance to revise the competences, governance and financing of the European Supervisory Authorities (ESAs) and to protect the financial system from money-laundering risks. Given that the end of the current 8th legislature is near with the 9th direct elections to the European Parliament in May 2019, we urge you to adopt as soon as possible the position of the Council on the whole legislative package to allow the start of the interinstitutional negotiations.

Counting on the spirit of cooperation in good faith that should prevail in the interest of the Union, we, as Co-Rapporteurs of the European Parliament, remain at your disposal to discuss the state of the play and the way forward with you at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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