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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: High-level agreement between the EU and Norway for the adaptation of the indicative maps of the transport infrastructure network as established in Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 (TEN-T Regulation)
- Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument

1. On 12 January 2024, the Working Party on Transport - Intermodal Questions and Networks was informed by the Commission of its intention to start negotiations on a high-level agreement between the EU and Norway concerning the adaptation of the indicative maps of the transport infrastructure network as established in Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 (TEN-T Regulation).
2. The planned modifications concern indicative maps related to the road transport infrastructure and to the list of ports and airports reported on the indicative TEN-T maps.
3. The Commission presented its note¹ and its intention on this subject to the Working Party on 12 January 2024. No objections were raised by any delegation to authorising the Commission to start the negotiations.

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4. Furthermore, it is understood that the Commission will revert to the Council at the end of the negotiations to seek the Council's authorisation for the signature of the high-level agreement on behalf of the EU.

5. In the light of the foregoing, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to suggest that the Council authorise the Commission to negotiate the abovementioned high-level agreement with Norway.
