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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 on personal protective equipment and repealing Council Directive 89/686/EEC
(First reading)
- Adoption of the legislative act (**LA + S**)

1. On 27 March 2014 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 114 TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 9 July 2014².
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 20 January 2016. 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 8453/14.

² OJ C 451, 16.12.2014, p. 76.

³ 5265/16.

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 58/15, 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.
