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From: General Secretariat of the Council

To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Draft Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing an information exchange mechanism with regard to intergovernmental agreements and non-binding instruments between Member States and third countries in the field of energy and repealing Decision No 994/2012/EU

Adoption of the legislative act (**LA +S**)

1. On 16 February 2016 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 194(2) of the TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 21 September 2016². The Committee of the Regions was consulted.
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 2 March 2017. 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 6226/16.

² OJ C 487, 28.12.2016, p. 81.

³ 6816/17.

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 3/17, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting;
 - order that the statement 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.
