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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 guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure, amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2009, (EU) 2019/942 and (EU) 2019/943 and Directives 2009/73/EC and (EU) 2019/944, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 15 December 2020 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 172 TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 24 March 2021².
3. The Committee of the Regions delivered its opinion on 1 July 2012³.
4. On 5 April 2022, the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council⁴.

¹ 14088/20.

² OJ C 220, 9.6.2021, p. 51-55.

³ OJ C 440, 29.10.2021, p. 105-117.

⁴ 7852/22.

5. 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 2/22, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with Germany, Spain, Luxembourg and Austria abstaining.
6. 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.
