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Delegations will find attached the opinion of the Consultative Working Party of Legal Services regarding the above mentioned subject.



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OPINION

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
THE COUNCIL
THE COMMISSION

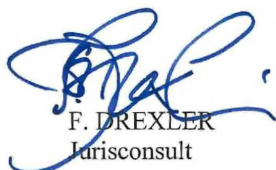
Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (codification)

COM(2018) 139 final of 14.3.2018 - 2018/0066 (COD)

Having regard to the Inter-institutional Agreement of 20 December 1994 on an accelerated working method for official codification of legislative texts, and in particular to point 4 thereof, the Consultative Working Party consisting of the respective legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission met on 21 March and 13 April 2018 for the purpose of examining, among others, the aforementioned proposal submitted by the Commission.

At those meetings¹, an examination of the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council codifying Council Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 of 15 March 2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement resulted in the Consultative Working Party's establishing, by common accord, that in point (f) of Article 7 the reference made to Article 10(5) should be adapted so as to read as a reference to Article 10(7).

In consequence, examination of the proposal has enabled the Consultative Working Party to conclude, without dissent, that the proposal is a straightforward codification of existing texts, without any change in their substance.


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¹ The Consultative Working Party worked on the basis of the English language version of the proposal, being the master-copy language version of the text under discussion.