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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 laying down specific and temporary measures, in view of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, concerning driver documents issued by Ukraine in accordance with its legislation **(first reading)** - Adoption of the legislative act - Decision to derogate from the eight-week period provided for in Article 4 of Protocol 1 on the role of national parliaments in the EU

1. On 21 June 2022 the Commission sent its proposal[1], based on Article 91 TFEU, to the Council.

2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 13 July 2022 [2].

3. The European Committee of the Regions was consulted and decided not to issue an opinion.

4. On 7 July 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 Council[3].

1 10429/22.
2 Not yet published in the OJ.
3 11181/22.

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 45/22 as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting;

   - derogate, on the basis of Article 3(3), second subparagraph, of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article, in view of the urgency of the matter as set out in the preamble of the legislative act.

6. The statement for the minutes of the Council meeting is set out in Addendum 1 to this note.

7. If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the European Parliament's position.

   After being signed by the Presidents of the European Parliament and of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.