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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards the decommitment procedure **(first reading)** - Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption of the legislative act

1. On 13 July 2020 the Commission sent its proposal[1], based on Article 78(2), Article 79(2) and (4), Article 82(1), Article 84 and Article 87(2) TFEU, to the Council.

2. The European Parliament will adopt its position at first reading on the Commission proposal at its plenary on 5-8 October 2020.

[1] 9679/20.

3. Due to the special circumstances, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision (EU) 2020/1253[2], that the Council uses the written procedure for the adoption of the draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards the decommitment procedure, as set out in document PE- CONS 35/20[3].

   The Permanent Representatives Committee already invited the Council to agree to derogate from the eight-week period referred to in Article 4 of Protocol 1 at its meeting on 16 September 2020[4].

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[2] Council Decision (EU) 2020/1253 of 4 September 2020 further extending the temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure introduced by Decision (EU) 2020/430, and extended by Decisions (EU) 2020/556, (EU) 2020/702 and (EU) 2020/970, in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 294, 8.9.2020, p. 1–2).

[3] PE-CONS 35/20 will be available in due time.

[4] 10499/1/20 REV 1.