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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 the extension of the term of Community plant variety rights for the species asparagus and the species groups flower bulbs, woody small fruits and woody ornamentals **(first reading)** - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 3 February 2021 the Commission sent its proposal[1], based on Article 118 TFEU, to the Council.

2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 24 March 2021[2].

3. On 14 September 2021 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council[3].

[1] 6030/21
[2] OJ C 220, 9.6.2021, p. 86–86
[3] 11717/21

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 50/21, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.

5. 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*.