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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 1303/2013 as regards additional resources and implementing arrangements to provide assistance for fostering crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its social consequences and for preparing a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy (REACT-EU) **(first reading)** - Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption of the legislative act

1. On 28 May 2020 the Commission sent its proposal[1], based on Articles 177 and 322(1)(a) TFUE, to the Council.

2. The Court of Auditors adopted its opinion on 13 July 2020[2].

3. The European Economic and Social Committee has been consulted.

[1] 8408/20.
[2] OJ C 272, 17.08.2020, p. 1.

4. The Committee of the Regions adopted its opinion on 14 October 2020[3].

5. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 16 December 2020[4].

6. 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) 2020/1659[5], 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 1303/2013 as regards additional resources and implementing arrangements to provide assistance for fostering crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its social consequences and for preparing a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy (REACT-EU), as set out in document PE- CONS 58/20.

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3 Not yet published in the OJ.

4 14115/20.

5 Council Decision (EU) 2020/1659 of 6 November 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, (EU) 2020/970 and (EU) 2020/1253, in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 376, 10.11.2020, p. 3–4)