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In document ST 16107/23 INIT, the following corrections should be made:

1. On page 7, paragraph 27 should read as follows:

“Greece has expressed some concerns regarding the merging of Articles 4 and 5.”

2. On page 8, the second sentence of paragraph 29 should read as follows:

“The Commission also has serious misgivings regarding the deletion of the reversed burden of proof in Article 8(2), which would have made the company liable unless the company could demonstrate that somebody else is liable; according to the Commission the Presidency proposal will increase the administrative burden for the Member States’ investigative authorities, since the presumption that the company is liable will no longer be upheld.”
