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STATEMENT BY PORTUGAL

Portugal supports the EU's objectives on the simplification and better regulation agenda, acknowledging the importance of these efforts to reinforce the competitiveness of Europe whilst underpinning the high standards and the integrity of the Single Market. These objectives must be met across all the EU's regions and territories, having due regard to the different impact EU legislation may have in Member States' legal systems. In such context, Article 349 TFEU establishes the specific need to take into account the special characteristics and constraints of outermost regions. Such singularity, as recognized by the TFEU, must be duly observed by the Commission when carrying out impact assessments of the legislative proposals expected to have significant economic, environmental or social impacts.
