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REPLY TO PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION

Subject: AMENDMENT TO PRELIMINARY DRAFT REPLY TO QUESTION FOR
WRITTEN ANSWER
P-004463/2019 - Łukasz Kohut
'National 2030 energy and climate plans in the context of the European
Green Deal'

Delegation - Author: Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union

Place: Addition in 2nd and 3rd paragraph

Amendment:

(...)

In its conclusions² of 12 December 2019 the European Council took note of the Commission Communication on the European Green Deal and asked the Council to take work forward. It recognised the need to put in place an enabling framework that benefits all Member States and encompasses adequate instruments, incentives, support and investments to ensure a cost-effective, just, as well as socially balanced and fair transition, taking into account different national circumstances in terms of starting points. (...)

² EUCO 29/19

The Council stands ready to take forward its work in line with the guidance provided by the European Council in its conclusions of 12 December 2019. On this basis of this guidance, the Council will exercise its role as co-legislator in examining and adopting the upcoming proposals for concrete instruments of the European Green Deal. The relevance of National Energy and Climate Plans in this exercise must be underlined, as they reflect the ambition of Member States in their contributions to the progress towards the achievement of the EU's climate neutrality objective.

Justification:

We consider that it is relevant to include an explicit reference to the specific role of the Integrated National Energy and Climate Plans in the process of assessment and adoption of the proposals derived from the Green Deal. These plans are one of the key tools to reflect the ambition of Member States in their contribution towards the achievement of the 2030 climate and energy targets and, therefore, to the progress towards the objective of climate neutrality.
