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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
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Subject: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) 2024/1689 and (EU) 2018/1139 as regards the simplification of the implementation of harmonised rules on artificial intelligence (Digital Omnibus on AI)
- Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions¹

1. On 19 November 2025, the Commission submitted to the Council a Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) 2024/1689 and (EU) 2018/1139 as regards the simplification of the implementation of harmonised rules on artificial intelligence (Digital Omnibus on AI)².

¹ The sole purpose of this note is to decide on the consultation of another institution/body and not on the substance.

² 2025/0359(COD)

2. This Digital Omnibus on AI proposal includes targeted simplification measures to ensure timely, smooth and proportionate implementation of certain provisions of the AI Act. Building on Regulation (EU) 2024/1689 (AI Act) the proposal aims to address delays in designating national competent authorities and conformity assessment bodies, as well as a lack of harmonised standards for the AI Act's high-risk requirements, guidance, and compliance tools.
3. This proposal is based on Article 114 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, in line with the original legal basis for the adoption of the legal acts which this proposal aims to amend.
4. The above-mentioned legal basis does not require the consultation of the Committee of the Regions.
5. In its proposal, the Commission suggests that the Committee of the Regions is consulted on an optional basis. Considering that the Committee of the Regions provided opinions on Regulations (EU) 2024/1689³ and (EU) 2018/1139⁴, amended by the proposal, it would appear appropriate to consult the Committee of the Regions.
6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to decide, in accordance with Article 304 TFEU and Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to consult the Committee of the Regions on this proposal and to request it to give its opinion by 8 May 2026.

³ 2022/C 97/12

⁴ 2017/C 88/14