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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject: Economic recovery in Europe; Council Implementing Decisions under the Recovery and Resilience Facility for Italy (Legal basis: Article 20 Regulation (EU) 2021/241)
- Adoption

1. On 13 July 2021, the Council adopted Implementing Decision approving the positive assessment of the recovery and resilience plan ('RRP') of Italy in accordance with Article 20(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/241, as set out in the documents 10160/21 + ADD 1 REV 2.
2. The Council amended the above-mentioned Implementing Decision on 19 September 2023, 8 December 2023, 14 May 2024, 18 November 2024, 20 June 2025 and 27 November 2025.
3. On 23 February 2026, Italy made a reasoned request to the Commission to make a proposal to amend the Council Implementing Decision of 13 July 2021 in accordance with Article 21(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/241 on the grounds that the RRP is partially no longer achievable because of objective circumstances. On that basis, Italy has submitted an amended RRP.

4. The Commission considers that the amendments put forward by Italy do not affect the positive assessment of the RRP set out in the Council Implementing Decision of 13 July 2021 regarding the relevance, effectiveness, efficiency and coherence of the RRP against the assessment criteria laid down in Article 19(3), points (a), (b), (c), (d), (da), (db), (g), (h), (i), (j) and (k), of Regulation (EU) 2021/241.
5. Against this background, acting on the basis of Article 20(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/241, the Commission submitted to the Council on 9 March 2026, a proposal for a Council Implementing Decision amending the Implementing Decision (EU) of 13 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Italy, set out in documents ST 7065/26 and ST 7065/26 ADD 1-2.
6. The Financial Counsellors Working Party examined the proposal on 24 March 2026 and reached an agreement on the text, subject to legal-linguistic revision.
7. The text of the Council Implementing Decision, as finalised by the lawyer-linguists, is set out in documents ST 7138/26 and ST 7138/26 + ADD 1.
8. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to:
 - confirm its agreement on the texts, as finalized by the lawyer-linguists, of:
 - a) Council Implementing Decision amending, Implementing Decision 13 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Italy, as set out in document ST 7138/26, and
 - b) Annex to the Council Implementing Decision amending, Implementing Decision of 13 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Italy, as set out in document ST 7138/26 + ADD 1, and
 - recommend to the Council to adopt the above-mentioned Decision together with its Annex as an "A-item" at one of its forthcoming meetings.