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'I' ITEM NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
Subject: Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the third session of the Supervisory Authority established pursuant to the Luxembourg Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock
- Adoption
- Decision to use the written procedure

I. CONTEXT AND CONTENT OF THE PROPOSAL

1. The Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Railway Rolling Stock ('the Luxembourg Protocol') establishes a worldwide legal framework for the recognition, priorities and enforcement of creditor and lessor rights, as well as a system for the allocation of identification numbers by the Registrar which enable the unique identification of items of railway rolling stock. By means of Council Decision 2014/888/EU¹, the European Union approved the Luxembourg Protocol in respect of its competences as defined in the Declaration annexed to that Decision.

¹ OJ L 353, 10.12.2014, p. 9.

2. The third session of the Supervisory Authority of the Luxembourg Protocol is scheduled to take place in Bern, Switzerland, on 14 April 2026. During that session, among other agenda items, the Supervisory Authority is expected to note a new version of the Model Rules on Permanent Identification of Railway Rolling Stock, and to revise its own Statutes and Rules of Procedure.
3. The proposed revision of the Model Rules is capable of decisively influencing the content of Union legislation, while the amendments to the Statutes and Rules of Procedures to be adopted by the Supervisory Authority are capable of decisively influencing the participation of the Union in that body. It is therefore appropriate to establish the position to be taken on the Union's behalf at the third session of the Supervisory Authority.
4. On 9 March 2026, the Commission adopted its proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the third session of the Supervisory Authority, covering the draft EU position on the two above-mentioned items.

II. EXAMINATION AT WORKING PARTY LEVEL

5. The proposal was examined at the Land Transport Working Party on 17 March 2026. No changes to the draft position were requested by the delegations, therefore the deliberations at the working party level were considered closed.

III. CONCLUSION

6. In view of the above, the Committee of Permanent Representatives is invited to:
 - endorse the draft Decision as set out in document 7231/26, revised by the lawyer-linguists, and its addendum 1;
 - decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, that, in view of the urgency of the matter, the Council uses the written procedure for the adoption of the Decision, as set out in document 7231/26 + ADD1.
7. Once the Decision has been adopted, the European Parliament will be informed thereof.