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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the definition of criminal offences and penalties for the violation of Union restrictive measures and amending Directive (EU) 2018/1673 **(first reading)** - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 2 December 2022 the Commission submitted its proposal[1], based on Article 83(1) TFEU, to the Council.

2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 22 March 2023[2].

3. On 12 March 2024 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council[3].

1 15653/22.
2 OJ C 184, 25.5.2023, p. 59.
3 7507/24.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to confirm its agreement and to suggest that the Council[4] approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 95/23 + COR 1, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.

5. If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the Presidents of the European Parliament and of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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[4] In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol No 22 on the position of Denmark, annexed to the TEU and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), Denmark is not taking part in the adoption of this Directive and is not bound by it or subject to its application.