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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representative Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on measures to reduce the cost of deploying gigabit electronic communications networks, amending Regulation (EU) 2015/2120 and repealing Directive 2014/61/EU (Gigabit Infrastructure Act) (first reading)
	repealing Directive 2014/61/EU (Gigabit Infrastructure Andoption of the legislative act

- 1. On 23 February 2023, the Commission submitted its proposal¹, based on Article 114 TFEU, to the Council.
- 2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 12 July 2023².
- 3. The Committee of the Regions was consulted and decided not to issue an opinion.
- 4. On 23 April 2024, the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal³. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council.

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² OJ C 349, 29.9.2023, p. 116.

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- 5. The <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> is therefore asked to confirm its agreement and to suggest that the <u>Council</u> approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 55/24, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.
- 6. If the <u>Council</u> 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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