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**'A' ITEM NOTE**

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| From: | General Secretariat of the Council |
| To: | Council |
| Subject: | Draft DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on combating violence against women and domestic violence **(first reading)**<br>- Adoption of the legislative act |

1. On 9 March 2022 the Commission submitted its proposal[1], based on Articles 82(2) and 83(1) TFEU, to the Council.

2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 13 July 2022[2].

3. On 24 April 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 7042/22.
2 OJ C 443, 22.11.2022, p. 93.
3 9155/24.

4. At its meeting on 24 April 2024, the Permanent Representatives Committee agreed to invite the Council to approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 33/24, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

5. The statements for the minutes of the Council meeting are set out in the Addendum to this note.

6. The Council[4] is invited to approve the European Parliament's position at the first reading as set out in PE-CONS 33/24.

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

   After being signed by the President of the European Parliament and the President 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.