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Proposal for a revision of the Package Travel Directive

Dear colleagues,

We are happy to invite you to the next meeting of the Consumer Protection and Information Working Party which will take place on **27 February**. This will be the first meeting where we discuss the Commission's **proposal for a directive amending Directive 2015/2302 on package travel and linked travel arrangements** (PTD). As you know, this proposal aims to improve protection for travellers, create a level playing field for businesses and simplify and clarify certain aspects of the current directive.

During the first working party on 27 February, we will give the Commission services the floor to present their impact assessment and the proposal to amend the PTD. These **presentations** will be followed by an **exchange of views** with the Member States.

Delegations will have the opportunity to express their comments on the proposal as a whole and on the impact assessment.

Moreover, the Presidency would warmly welcome an exchange of Member States' preliminary thoughts on the following two articles of the proposal:

- (1) Article 12a on **vouchers** (recitals 11, 16 and 21): lays down conditions for organisers to issue vouchers instead of providing for a refund after a package travel contract is terminated.
- (2) Article 22, para 2 on a **B2B refund right** (recitals 11 and 15): grants the organiser a specific refund right towards its travel service provider when the latter cancels or does not provide the service.

We look forward to seeing you all again on the 27th. In the meantime, please feel free to contact us regarding any queries you might have.

Safe (package) travels to Brussels and see you soon!

Best regards,

The Belgian Consumers Team

