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CONSULTATION

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules to prevent and combat child sexual abuse – Presidency compromise text

Delegations will find in the annex the Presidency note (6946/26) in a table format for the submission of written comments **by 12 March 2026 (12:00)**.

A consultation will be launched on the Delegates Portal.

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Thank you for your cooperation!

Presidency compromise text	Comments
General Comments	
a) The EU Centre	
Article 45 – Manifestly unfounded. Line 646: Can you support that **manifestly unfounded reports are kept by the EU Centre if all personal data is anonymised**?	
Article 66b – Fundamental Rights Officer. Lines 848s-848ae: The Presidency has reviewed and amended as appropriate the text proposed by the European Parliament to align the tasks with those of the Fundamental Rights Officer of Europol. **Can you agree to the compromise text proposed**?	
Article 57 – Executive Board. Line 758n (new): A new provision (similar to the one in the Frontex Regulation) is proposed to be included to allow for an	

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Executive Board to be established by the Management Board in case it considers that necessary. **Can you agree to the compromise text proposed**?	
Article 65 – Executive Director. Line 836: Can you support that the **dismissal of the Executive Director can be requested either by the Management Board, if that request is supported by one third of its voting members, or by the Commission**?	
b) Right to information and assistance (Articles 20 and 21)	
Lines 411, 412a and 416a: Can you support that the right of information covers **citizens of the Union in addition to other persons residing in the Union** and that they will have the right to receive this information from **the Coordinating Authority of the Member State where they reside or the Member State of their citizenship**?	
As regards requests for periodic information, can you support that in such cases the Coordinating Authority will provide **information annually or twice a year**, whenever possible in an automated manner?	
Lines 423 and 424: Can you support that the right of assistance covers **citizens of the Union in addition to other persons residing in the Union** and that the request for support can be **made via the Coordinating Authority of the Member State where they reside or of the Member State of their citizenship**?	
c) Notification of known child sexual abuse material (Article 32)	

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Lines 61 and 533 to 535: Can you support the **text proposed by the Commission for Article 32,** which has been aligned with the Digital Services Act **and the accompanying amended recital 50**?	
d) Adjustments derived from the agreements reached at the trilogue on 26 February 2026	
Article 34. Lines 542, 542a (deleted) and 544: Article 34 was adjusted to align with the text and/or the practice under the Digital Services Act. **Would you agree with the adjustments in these provisions**?	
Article 45. Line 646a: As mentioned to delegations orally during the meeting of JHA Counsellors on 24 February, the European Parliament has requested that the EU Centre should delete material from its reports that are found not to be CSAM. This seems to be a logical extension of the provision under Article 36(4) that obliges the Coordinating Authority to inform the EU Centre of such instances. **Would you agree to such a provision, along the lines of the text drafted in line 646a**?	
Article 48. Line 672a: Similarly, the European Parliament has requested that the EU Centre should inform Europol of such unfounded reports. **Would you agree to such a provision, along the lines of the text drafted in line 672a?**	
Article 36. Line 568: The European Parliament has agreed to delete its amendment in line 568 (the European Parliament will propose a recital that the Presidency will share with delegations in due course).	
Article 39. Line 584b: The text has been revised to improve clarity and readability. **Can you support the revised text?**	

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Article 54b. Line 83a: A new recital has been added to clarify the scope of Article 54b (cooperation with third countries and international organisations). **Can you support the text of the new recital?**	
Article 57. Line 758m: A reference to the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) has been added to the text of the Council mandate. **Can you support the revised text?**	

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