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**PROCED
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COMMUNICATION

WRITTEN PROCEDURE

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Subject:

- Adoption of the Council's position on DAB No 1/2020: Assistance to Greece in response to increased migration pressure - Immediate measures in the context of the COVID-19 outbreak -Support to post-earthquake reconstruction in Albania - Other adjustments
- Adoption of the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument to finance immediate budgetary measures in the context of the COVID-19 outbreak and a reinforcement of the EPPO
- Adoption of the Council Regulation activating the emergency support under Regulation (EU) 2016/369, and amending its provisions taking into account the COVID-19 outbreak
- Adoption of the Council's position on DAB No 2/2020: Providing emergency support to Member States and further reinforcement of the Union Civil Protection Mechanism/rescEU to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak
- Adoption of the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument to finance immediate budgetary measures in the context of the COVID-19 outbreak
- Adoption of the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Contingency Margin in 2020 to provide emergency assistance to Member States and further reinforce the Union Civil Protection Mechanism/rescEU in response to th COVID-19 outbreak

- Request for the European Parliament's consent to the Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 as regards the scope of the Global Margin for Commitments
 - = *End of written procedure*
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Delegations are informed that the written procedure, opened by CM 2021/20 + COR 1 of 9 April 2020 and CM 2021/1/20 REV 1 of 14 April 2020 was completed on 14 April 2020 at 11:50 and that all delegations voted in favour of:

- (1) (a) the adoption of the Council's position on draft amending budget No 1 to the general budget of the Union for 2020 (DAB No 1/2020), as set out in document 7149/20, and
- (b) the derogation, on the basis of the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article.

Therefore, the above position of the Council is adopted.

The Council agreed to derogate, on the basis of the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article;

- (2) the adoption of the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument to finance immediate budgetary measures in the context of the COVID-19 outbreak and a reinforcement of the European Public Prosecutor's Office, related to DAB No 1/2020, as set out in the Annex to document 7151/20.

Therefore, the above Decision is adopted when the European Parliament has also approved it.

- (3) the adoption of the Council Regulation activating the emergency support under Regulation (EU) 2016/369, and amending its provisions taking into account the COVID-19 outbreak, as set out in document 7169/1/20 REV 1 + REV 1 COR 1 (as finalised by the legal linguistic experts).

Therefore, the above Regulation of the Council is adopted.

The statement by Italy is reproduced in the Annex to this CM.

The above statement will be included in the summary of acts adopted by the written procedure as statement to be entered in the Council minutes, in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure;

- (4) (a) the adoption of the Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget of the Union for 2020 (DAB No 2/2020) as set out in document 7201/20, and
- (b) the derogation, on the basis of the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article.

Therefore, the above position of the Council is adopted.

The Council agreed to derogate, on the basis of the second subparagraph of Article 3(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, from the eight-week period referred to in the first subparagraph of that Article;

- (5) the adoption of the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument to finance immediate budgetary measures in the context of the COVID-19 outbreak, related to DAB No 2/2020, as set out in the Annex to document 7203/20.

Therefore, the above Decision is adopted when the European Parliament has also approved it;

- (6) the adoption of the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Contingency Margin in 2020 to provide emergency assistance to Member States and further reinforce the Union Civil Protection Mechanism/rescEU in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, related to DAB No 2/2020, as set out in the Annex to document 7204/20.

Therefore, the above Decision is adopted when the European Parliament has also approved it;

- (7) requesting the consent of the European Parliament on the draft Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 as regards the scope of the Global Margin for Commitments, as set out in document 7170/20 (as finalised by the legal linguistic experts).

Therefore, the Council decided to request the consent of the European Parliament on the draft amending Regulation.

Statement by Italy on the Council Regulation activating the emergency support under Regulation (EU) 2016/369, and amending its provisions taking into account the COVID-19 outbreak

"In relazione al documento 7169/1/20 REV1, relativo al Regolamento del Consiglio che attiva il sostegno di emergenza a norma del Regolamento (UE) 2016/369 e che ne modifica disposizioni in considerazione dell'epidemia di COVID-19, l'Italia richiama la necessità che le azioni finanziate dal Regolamento siano concordate dalla Commissione europea con i Paesi beneficiari, in particolare in merito all'identificazione delle priorità e degli attori idonei alla relativa attuazione. L'Italia invita la Commissione europea ad assicurare che tali azioni rientrino nel coordinamento generale attuato dai Paesi beneficiari per fronteggiare l'emergenza epidemiologica da COVID-19."

(English courtesy translation provided by the Italian delegation)

"With reference to document 7169/1/20 REV 1, related to the Council Regulation activating the emergency support under Regulation (EU) 2016/369, and amending its provisions taking into account the COVID-19 outbreak, Italy recalls the need for the actions financed by the Regulation to be agreed by the European Commission with the beneficiary Countries, in particular for what concerns the identification of the priorities and of the actors for their implementation. Italy invites the European Commission to ensure that these actions fall within the general coordination implemented by the beneficiary Countries in order to address the COVID-19 emergency."