



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Brussels, 22 March 2013**

**7454/13**

---

**Interinstitutional File:  
2013/0057 (COD)**

---

**FRONT 18  
VISA 69  
CODEC 573  
COMIX 162**

**“I” ITEM NOTE**

---

from: General Secretariat of the Council

to: Coreper (Part 2)

---

No. Cion prop.: 6928/13 FRONT 13 VISA 51 CODEC 450 COMIX 130

---

Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council establishing an entry/exit system to register entry and exit data of third-country nationals crossing the external borders of the Member States of the European Union

- Optional consultation of the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions

---

1. In its proposal of 28 February 2013 for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council establishing an entry/exit system to register entry and exit data of third-country nationals crossing the external borders of the Member States of the European Union, the Commission proposes that the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions be consulted on an optional basis.
2. The proposed Regulation has been forwarded to the Council together with a proposal establishing a Registered Traveller Programme and a draft Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2006/562 for the purpose of the functioning of the two systems.

3. In view of the subject matter of the proposal it is deemed appropriate to consult the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions.
  
4. Coreper is therefore requested to decide, in accordance with Article 304 of the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union and Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to ask the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions to give its opinion on the proposal as soon as possible.

---