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from: General Secretariat of the Council  
to: Permanent Representatives Committee

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Subject: Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of research, studies, pupil exchange, remunerated and unremunerated training, voluntary service and au pairing (Recast)  
= Optional consultation of the European Economic and Social Committee and of the Committee of the Regions<sup>1</sup>

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1. In above-mentioned proposal, the Commission proposes that the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions are consulted on an optional basis.
2. Coreper is therefore requested to decide, in accordance with Articles 304 and 307 of the Treaty on the Function of the European Union and Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure<sup>2</sup>, to ask the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions to give their opinions on the proposal.

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<sup>1</sup> The sole purpose of this note is to decide on the consultation of another institution/body and not on the substance.

<sup>2</sup> Council Decision 2009/937/EU of 1 December 2009 adopting the Council's Rules of Procedure, OJ L 325, 11/12/2009, p. 35 - 61.