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"I/A" ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat
to: Permanent Representatives Committee / Council

Subject: - Draft Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020

- Draft Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management

- Draft Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 and draft Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management - draft declarations

= Letters to the European Parliament and the Commission, including a request by the Council for the consent of the European Parliament

1. On 29 June 2011, the Commission submitted to the Council the proposal and the draft Interinstitutional Agreement mentioned in the subject.
2. On 6 July 2012, the Commission submitted an amended proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020.

3. On 28 June 2013, the Permanent Representatives Committee reached agreement in principle on the texts of the draft Council Regulation, the draft Interinstitutional Agreement and draft statements as recorded in documents 11655/13 POLGEN 124 CADREFIN 164 + REV 1 (SI), 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154, 11658/13, POLGEN 125 CADREFIN 165 and 11698/13 POLGEN 126 CADREFIN 166.
4. On the basis of point 3 above, a consolidated text of the draft Regulation was established after legal/linguistic finalisation in document 11791/13 POLGEN 129 CADREFIN 170.
5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to advise the Council to:
 - forward the draft Council Regulation contained in document 11791/13 POLGEN 129 CADREFIN 170 as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts to the European Parliament for its consent in accordance with Article 312(2) TFEU;
 - forward the draft Interinstitutional Agreement, contained in document 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154 to the European Parliament, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation, as it should be approved simultaneously with the draft Council Regulation, as well as to the Commission;
 - forward the draft statements set out in addendum 1 to this note to the European Parliament and to the Commission for approval of the relevant ones. These will be entered to the Council's minutes when adopting the legal acts;
 - approve the draft letters recorded in Annex 1 and Annex 2, to be sent to the European Parliament and the Commission in this respect.

DRAFT LETTER

To: President of the European Parliament

On 29 June 2011, the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 COM(2011) 398 final 2011/177 (APP), amended by document COM(2012) 388 as well as the draft Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on cooperation in budgetary matters and sound financial management COM(2011) 403 final.

These texts were debated within the Council since July 2011. Throughout this process, discussions among the three institutions were held. On 27 June 2013, negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020 were successfully concluded at the highest political level between the Parliament, the Council and the Commission.

On this basis, the Permanent Representatives Committee reached agreement in principle on the texts contained in documents 11655/13 POLGEN 124 CADREFIN 164 +REV 1 (SI) and 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154 as well as on the statements included in 11658/13, POLGEN 125 CADREFIN 165 and in document 11698/13 POLGEN 126 CADREFIN 166 on its meeting on 28 June 2013, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation.

Consequently, the Council decided on 22 July 2013 to request:

- the European Parliament for its consent on the draft Regulation, as finalised by the legal/linguistic experts, and contained in document 11791/13 POLGEN 129 CADREFIN 170;
- the European Parliament and the European Commission for their approval on the draft Interinstitutional Agreement contained in document 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation;

- the European Parliament and the European Commission for their approval of the draft joint statements contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180;
- the European Commission for its confirmation of the draft European Commission statements contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180.

The Council would therefore be grateful if the European Parliament could kindly :

- give its consent on the draft Regulation contained in document 11791/13 POLGEN 129 CADREFIN 170 as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts;
- give its approval on the draft Interinstitutional Agreement as contained in document 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation, with a view to allowing the conclusion of the Interinstitutional Agreement;
- give its approval on the draft joint statements as contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180.

The Council has instructed me to forward this request to you.

When adopting these acts draft statements, as contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180, will be entered in the Council's minutes.

(Complementary close).

DRAFT LETTER

To: President of the Commission

On 29 June 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council a draft Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on cooperation in budgetary matters and sound financial management COM(2011) 403 final.

This text was debated within the Council since July 2011. Throughout this process, discussions among the three institutions were held. On 27 June 2013, negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020 were successfully concluded at the highest political level between Parliament, the Council and the Commission.

On this basis, the Permanent Representatives Committee reached agreement in principle on the texts contained in documents 11655/13 POLGEN 124 CADREFIN 164 + REV 1 (SI) and 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154 as well as on the statements included in 11658/13, POLGEN 125 CADREFIN 165 and in document 11698/13 POLGEN 126 CADREFIN 166 on its meeting on 28 June 2013, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation.

Consequently, the Council decided on 22 July 2013 to request:

- the European Parliament for its consent on the draft Regulation, as finalised by the legal/linguistic experts, and contained in document 11791/13 POLGEN 129 CADREFIN 170;
- the European Parliament and the European Commission for their approval on the draft Interinstitutional Agreement contained in documents 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation;

- the European Parliament and the European Commission for their approval of the draft joint statements contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180;
- the European Commission for its confirmation of the draft European Commission statements contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180.

The Council would therefore be grateful if the Commission could kindly :

- give its approval on the draft Interinstitutional Agreement as contained in document 11298/13 POLGEN 117 CADREFIN 154, subject to legal/linguistic finalisation, with a view to allowing the conclusion of the Interinstitutional Agreement;
- give its approval on the draft joint statements as contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180;
- confirm the draft European Commission statements as contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180.

The Council has instructed me to forward this request to you.

When adopting these acts draft statements, as contained in addendum 1 to document 11961/13 POLGEN 135 CADREFIN 180, will be entered in the Council's minutes.

(Complementary close)
