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from : General Secretariat of the Council
to : Coreper

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Subject : Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council
establishing for the period 2014 to 2020 the Rights and Citizenship programme
- Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions¹

1. On 21 August 2011 the Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing for the period 2014 to 2020 the Rights and Citizenship programme.
2. The proposal which is based on Articles 19(2), 21(2), 114, 168, 169 and 197 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union does not require the opinion of the Committee of the Regions. Nevertheless, the Commission proposes to consult that body on an optional basis.

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

3. In view of the subject matter of the proposal it is deemed appropriate to consult the Committee of the Regions.

4. Coreper is therefore invited to decide, pursuant to Article 307 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU and to Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to consult the Committee of the Regions on the above proposal and to request the Committee to give its opinion as soon as possible.

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