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Subject: PUBLIC ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS
– Confirmatory application No 17/c/01/16
– Initiation of written procedure

MESSAGE

In accordance with the provisions of Article 12 of the Council's Rules of Procedure, please state whether you agree to¹:

1. the use of the written procedure to adopt the reply referred to below, concerning confirmatory application No 17/c/01/16 for public access to documents;

¹ Delegations are informed that the practical modalities for the adoption by the Council of draft replies to confirmatory applications using the ordinary written procedure are described in document **14875/13**.

2. the adoption by the Council of the reply to confirmatory application No 17c/01/16 (reply annexed to document 11279/16 INF 132 API 81);
3. the publication of the outcome of this written procedure, including the names of the Member States voting NO to the second question or abstaining, as well as possible unilateral statements.

You may answer YES or NO to each question; you may also answer ABSTENTION to the second and third question.

Any unilateral statements must be made separately.

The replies should be sent by fax or e-mail to the General Secretariat of the Council by Tuesday 10 August COB at the latest, for the attention of Mr Jakob Thomsen, DG F, Transparency, Access to Documents, either by fax (+32 (0)2 281 63 61) or by e-mail (council.transparency@consilium.europa.eu).