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Subject: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND
OF THE COUNCIL establishing a common framework for European
statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual
level collected from samples
- Optional consultation of the European Data Protection Supervisor

On 24 August 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council a Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples.

The proposal is based on Article 338(1) TFEU, which provides for the European Parliament and for the Council to act in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure, but does not require any consultation.

In its proposal though, the Commission envisages the consultation of the European Data Protection Supervisor (recital 23). Indeed, the proposal's subject are statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples. Therefore the Presidency considers it appropriate to consult the European Data Protection Supervisor on an optional basis¹. The procedure is in accordance with Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to request the European Data Protection Supervisor to deliver its opinion on the Commission proposal set out in doc. 11774/16 STATIS 60 SOC 489 EMPL 318 EDUC 264 SAN 315 ECOFIN 767 CODEC 1773.

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