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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	14064/16 ENER 372
Subject:	COMMISSION REGULATION (EU)/ of XXX establishing a Network Code on Capacity Allocation Mechanisms in Gas Transmission Systems and repealing Commission Regulation (EU) No 984/2013
	- Decision not to oppose adoption

The measure envisaged being in accordance with the opinion of the relevant committee, the 1. Commission has submitted the above draft measure¹ to the Council for scrutiny in accordance with the procedure in Article 5a(3)(a) of Council Decision 1999/468/EC². The Commission having presented the draft measure on 4 November 2016, the Council has until 4 February 2017 to decide to oppose the adoption.

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Council Decision 1999/468/EC of 28 June 1999 laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission (OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23), as amended by Decision 2006/512/EC (OJ L 200, 22.7.2006, p. 11).

- 2. Delegations were asked to submit any comments on this file by 7 December 2016. Delegations have not provided any indication that there is any reason to oppose the draft measure in question on the grounds described in Decision 1999/468, namely that it:
 - exceeds the implementing powers provided for in the basic instrument;
 - is incompatible with the aim or content of the basic instrument; or
 - does not respect the principles of subsidiarity or proportionality.
- 3. It is therefore suggested that <u>Coreper</u> recommend that <u>the Council confirm</u> that there are no grounds for opposing the draft measure. This implies that, unless <u>the European Parliament</u> opposes it, <u>the Commission</u> may adopt the proposed measure in accordance with Article 5a(3)(d) of Council Decision 1999/468/EC.

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