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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014 - 2020 Review/Revision: Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 - Adoption of the act

1. In accordance with Article 2 of the MFF Regulation¹, the Commission adopted on 14 September 2016 a Communication on the review/revision of the MFF. This Communication was accompanied by several proposals: a proposal for amending Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020, as amended by Council Regulation No 2015/623 of 21 April 2015 (*MFF Regulation*); a proposal for amending the Interinstitutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (*IIA on budgetary matters*), and a proposal for amending Decision (EU) 2015/435 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2014 on the mobilisation of the Contingency Margin (*Contingency Margin Decision*).

¹ Council Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 884).

2. Following the examination carried out of the Commission Communication and the above-mentioned proposals, the General Affairs Council of 7 March 2017 gave its agreement in principle to the compromise presented by the Presidency in the form of a package.² At the time, the Commission informed delegations it would table a unilateral statement to be added to the Council minutes, and two delegations announced their intention to abstain.
3. On 5 April 2017, the European Parliament gave its consent to the Draft Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 as set out in document 14942/16 and approved the draft joint statements as set out in document 7031/17.
4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to advise the Council to:
 - adopt the Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) N° 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 as set out in document 14942/16;
 - approve the joint statements set out in document 7031/17, and agree to enter them in the Council minutes together with the statements set out in documents 7031/17 ADD1-2.

² ST 7030/17 (cover note); ST 7031/17 + ADD1-2 (statements); ST 14942/16 (amendments to the MFF Regulation).