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In document 8449/17 ADD 1, on page 3, the statement by the Commission on deactivation should read as follows:

Statement by the Commission on deactivation

"The Commission recognises the importance of a well-functioning standard for deactivation, which contributes to improved levels of safety and gives authorities reassurance that deactivated weapons are properly and effectively deactivated.

The Commission will, therefore, accelerate the work on the revision of the deactivation criteria conducted by national experts in the Committee established under Directive **91/477/EEC** in order to allow the Commission to adopt, by the end of May 2017, in accordance with the committee procedure established by directive **91/477/EEC**, subject to a positive opinion by national experts, a Commission implementing Regulation amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2403 of 15 December 2015 establishing common guidelines on deactivation standards and techniques for ensuring that deactivated firearms are rendered irreversibly inoperable. The Commission calls on Member States to fully support the acceleration of this work."
