



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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**TRANS 155**

**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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From: General Secretariat of the Council

To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)/Council

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Subject: COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No .../.. of XXX concerning a technical specification for interoperability relating to the 'rolling stock - locomotives and passenger rolling stock' subsystem of the rail system in the European Union  
– Decision not to oppose the adoption (regulatory procedure with scrutiny)

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1. The Commission has submitted the above draft Regulation to the Council for scrutiny in accordance with the procedure in Article 5a(3)(a) of Council Decision 1999/468/EC<sup>1</sup>. The Commission having presented the draft measure on 7 February 2014, the Council has until 7 May 2014 to decide to oppose the adoption.

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<sup>1</sup> 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 examine the draft measure until and did not provide any indication that there are grounds for the Council to oppose its adoption.<sup>2</sup>
  3. It is therefore suggested that Coreper recommend that the Council confirm that there are no grounds for opposing the draft measure. This implies that, unless the European Parliament opposes it, the Commission may adopt the proposed revised measure in accordance with Article 5a(3)(d) of Council Decision 1999/468/EC.
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<sup>2</sup> Article 5a(3)(b) provides that the Council may, acting by qualified majority, oppose the adoption of such measures on the grounds that they exceed the implementing powers provided for in the basic instrument, are not compatible with the aim or the content of the basic instrument or do not respect the principles of subsidiarity or proportionality.