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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
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Subject:	COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No .../.. of 4.3.2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to specific rules on eligibility of expenditure for cooperation programmes <i>- Intention not to raise objections to Commission Delegated Act</i>

1. The Commission has submitted the above delegated act¹ to the Council in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 290 TFEU and based on Article 18(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on specific provisions for the support from the European Regional Development Fund to the European territorial cooperation goal². The Delgated Act empowers the Commission to adopt specific rules on eligibility of expenditure for cooperation programmes with regard to staff costs, office and administrative expenditure, travel and accommodation costs, external expertise and services costs and equipment expenditure.

¹ Doc. 7332/14 REGIO 31 CADREFIN 42 FSTR 11 DELACT 47.

² OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 259.

As the Commission notified the delegated act under Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on specific provisions for the support from the European Regional Development Fund to the European territorial cooperation goal - on 4 March 2014, the Council may object to that delegated act within a period of two months.

2. Within the framework of the Structural Actions Working Party and following the informal silence procedure, no objections were raised by delegations by the deadline of Thursday, 26 March 2014.
3. It is therefore suggested to record the lack of a qualified majority supporting an objection to the delegated act and that the Commission and the European Parliament are to be informed thereof. This implies that, unless the European Parliament objects to it³, the delegated act shall be published and enter into force in accordance with Article 29(5) of the European Parliament and Council Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on specific provisions for the support from the European Regional Development Fund to the European territorial cooperation goal.

³ On 21 March 2014 the European Parliament (at REGI Committee level) already decided **not** to object.