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from:	General Secretariat
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Subject:	Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending the Protocol on the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union and Annex I thereto - Outcome of the European Parliament's first reading (Strasbourg, 14 to 17 April 2014)

I. INTRODUCTION

On 12 December 2013, the Parliament adopted one amendment to the proposal for a Regulation, but did not adopt its legislative resolution, thereby not closing the first reading and leaving the possibility of reaching an agreement in first reading¹. The matter was then referred back to the Committee pursuant to Rule 57(2) of the European Parliament's Rules of Procedure.

However, no such agreement was reached and the Parliament decided to proceed to vote on the legislative resolution, thereby closing its first reading.

¹ See doc. 17499/13.

II. DEBATE

No debate took place.

III. VOTE

When it voted on 15 April 2014, the plenary adopted the legislative resolution, thereby concluding the Parliament's first reading. The legislative resolution and the amendment adopted on 12 December 2013 constitute the first reading position of the European Parliament.

The legislative resolution is set out in the Annex.

**Court of Justice of the European Union: number of judges at the General Court
***I**

European Parliament legislative resolution of 15 April 2014 on the draft regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending the Protocol on the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union by increasing the number of Judges at the General Court (02074/2011 – C7-0126/2012 – 2011/0901B(COD))

(Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the request by the Court of Justice submitted to Parliament and the Council (02074/2011),
 - having regard to the first paragraph of Article 254 and the second paragraph of Article 281 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to which the draft act was submitted to Parliament (C7-0126/2012),
 - having regard to Article 294(3) and (15) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
 - having regard to the opinion of the Commission (COM(2011)0596),
 - having regard to the letter of the Court of Justice of 8 May 2012,
 - having regard to the letter of the Commission of 30 May 2012,
 - having regard to paragraphs 2 and 3 of its legislative resolution of 5 July 2012 on the draft regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending the Protocol on the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union and Annex I thereto¹,
 - having regard to Rule 55 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Legal Affairs (A7-0252/2013),
1. Adopts as its position at first reading the text adopted on 12 December 2013²;
 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Court of Justice, the Commission and the national parliaments.

¹ OJ C 349 E, 29.11.2013, p. 555.

² Texts adopted, P7_TA(2013)0581.