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Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the implementation and exploitation of European satellite navigation systems and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 876/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 683/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (**first reading**)
- Adoption of the legislative act (**AL + D**)
= Statement

**Joint declaration by the European Parliament, the Council and the European Commission
on the GALILEO Interinstitutional Panel (GIP)**

1. In view of the importance, uniqueness and complexity of the European GNSS programmes, the Union ownership of systems resulting from the programmes, the full financing of the Union budget of the programmes for the period 2014-2020, the European Parliament, the Council, and the European Commission recognise the need for close cooperation of the three institutions.

2. A Galileo Interinstitutional Panel (GIP) will meet with the objective to facilitate each institution exercising its respective responsibility. To this end, the GIP will be set up in order to follow closely:

(a) the progress on the implementation of the European GNSS programmes, in particular with regard to the implementation of the procurement and the contract agreements, in particular with regard to the ESA;

(b) the International Agreements with third countries without prejudice to the provisions of Article 218 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union;

(c) the preparation of satellite navigation markets;

(d) the effectiveness of the governance arrangements; and

(e) the annual review of the work programme.

3. In accordance with existing rules, the GIP will respect the need for discretion in particular in view of the commercial-in-confidence and sensitive nature of certain data.

4. The Commission will take account of the views expressed by the GIP.

5. The GIP will be composed of seven representatives, of which:

- three from the Council,

- three from the EP,

- one from the Commission,

and will meet on a regular basis (in principle four times per year).

6. The GIP does not affect the established responsibilities or interinstitutional relationships.