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Subject:	Proposal for a Council Regulation adjusting, from 1 July 2013, the rate of contribution to the pension scheme of officials and other servants of the European Union - Adoption

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1. On 7 November 2013 the Commission sent to the Council the proposal for a Council Regulation adjusting, from 1 July 2013, the rate of contribution to the pension scheme of officials and other servants of the European Union under Article 83a of the Staff Regulations. The Council shall act by a qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission provided for in Article 16(4) and (5) of the Treaty on European Union.
2. The proposal was accompanied by a Commission Staff Working Document (Eurostat report) on this assessment determining the rate of the 2013 update on the basis of the 2012 actuarial assessment of the Pension Scheme for European Officials in accordance with Article 13 of Annex XII to the Staff Regulations (five-yearly actuarial assessment). According to this assessment, the rate of contribution required to maintain actuarial balance of the pension scheme is 10.3% of the official's basic salary.

3. The Working Party on the Staff Regulations examined that proposal at its meetings on 11 November and 10 December 2013 and was able to reach an agreement on the proposal. The proposal was supplemented by an additional recital which clarifies that the Council will take account of the impact of recent and future judgments in the 2011 and 2012 salary cases and in the case on pension contribution adjustment for the year 2011, re-adjusting where applicable the rate of pension contribution for the years 2012 and 2013 in the future<sup>1</sup>. In addition, the Commission is to submit a statement that it will take all necessary measures to this effect and in particular submit to the Council all proposals necessary to enable it to adjust the rates of contribution for the years 2012 and 2013 to the requisite level for respecting the actuarial balance. The above recital and declaration had already been introduced with respect to the adoption of the proposal for a Council Regulation adjusting, from 1 July 2012, the rate of contribution to the pension scheme of officials and other servants of the European Union<sup>2</sup>. The latter Regulation was adopted by Council on 10 December 2013<sup>3</sup>.
4. Against this background, COREPER is invited to confirm its agreement with the text of the proposal as supplemented by an additional recital, and to submit it to the Council for adoption (on the basis of all language versions to be finalised by the lawyer-linguists on 13 December 2013 under ST 16217/13).

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<sup>1</sup> SN 4081/13 REV 1.

<sup>2</sup> ST 16208/13.

<sup>3</sup> ST16685/13.