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from: Working Party on General Affairs
to: Permanent Representatives Committee / Council

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Subject: Commission delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 31.3.2015 amending Annexes III, V and VII of Regulation No 211/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the citizens' initiative
– Intention not to raise objections to a delegated act

1. On 31 March 2015, the Commission submitted the delegated Regulation mentioned in the subject¹ to the Council in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 290 TFEU and with Article 17 of Regulation (EU) No 211/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 on the citizens' initiative².
2. The deadline for raising objections to the delegated act expires on 31 May 2015.
3. On 21 April 2015, the General Secretariat of the Council informed the delegations about this delegated act and requested their reactions, if any, in writing by 5 May 2015.

¹ 8120/15 + ADD 1

² OJ L 65 of 11.3.2011, pp.1.

4. Following objection by one delegation, the Working Party on General Affairs exchanged views on this delegated regulation at its meeting on 8 May and noted the absence of a qualified majority in the Working Party to object to the delegated act.
 5. Therefore the Working Party on General Affairs recommends that Coreper invite the Council to confirm:
 - that it has no intention to object to the delegated act,
 - that the Commission and the European Parliament be informed thereof,
 - that it includes the statement by Estonia set out in the addendum to this note in its minutes.
 6. This implies that, unless the European Parliament objects, the delegated act shall enter into force in accordance with Article 19(2) of Regulation (EU) No 211/2011.
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