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Subject: Draft Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making
– Adoption

1. On 19 May 2015, the Commission presented a Proposal for an Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Regulation¹.
2. During the Luxembourg Presidency a series of meetings took place among the three institutions in order to reach agreement. On 8 December 2015, the three institutions reached a provisional agreement on a text for a new Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making.
3. The Council on 15 December 2015 confirmed its political agreement on the text of the Interinstitutional Agreement².
4. The Commission approved the Interinstitutional Agreement on 15 December 2015.

¹ Doc. 9121/15 + ADD1

² Doc. 15364/15

5. The Committee on Institutional Affairs of the European Parliament on 23 February 2016 proposed that the Parliament formally approve the Interinstitutional Agreement and authorise its signature. The approval of the Parliament is scheduled to take place on 9 March 2016.
6. The European Parliament and the Commission intend to make the statement set out in the Annex to this note.
7. The text of the Interinstitutional Agreement following legal linguist revision by the experts of the three institutions is set out in document 15506/15.
8. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to confirm its agreement and suggest that the Council adopt the Interinstitutional Agreement on Better Law-Making, as set out in document 15506/15, at a forthcoming meeting.

After being signed by the Presidents of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission, the Agreement will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

STATEMENT OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COMMISSION ON THE
OCCASION OF THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERINSTITUTIONAL AGREEMENT ON
BETTER LAW-MAKING

The European Parliament and the Commission consider that this Agreement reflects the balance between, and respective competences of, the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission as set out in the Treaties.

It is without prejudice to the Framework Agreement of 20 October 2010 on relations between the European Parliament and the European Commission¹.

¹ OJ L 304, 20.11.2010, p. 47.