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Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision on the acceptance of the Amendments to the 1998 Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Heavy Metals
- Adoption

1. The Commission transmitted to the Council the above proposal¹ on 9 January 2015.
2. The Council, on 11 June 2015, requested the consent of the European Parliament on the text of the draft Decision as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts² with a view to the later adoption of the Council Decision.
3. At its Plenary meeting on 2 February 2016, the European Parliament gave its consent to the Decision.

¹ 5187/15 + ADD 1

² 8648/15 + ADD 1

4. Consequently, the Committee of Permanent Representatives is invited to suggest that the Council, adopt, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, its Decision on the acceptance of the Amendments to the 1998 Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Heavy Metals as set out in document 8648/15 + ADD 1.
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