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Subject:	Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2014/65/EU on markets in financial instruments - Decision to consult an institution or body

1. In its 8 March 2018 proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2014/65/EU on markets in financial instruments¹, the Commission proposes that the European Economic and Social Committee is consulted on an optional basis.
2. Coreper is therefore invited to decide, pursuant to Article 304 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU and to Article 19(7)(h) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to consult the European Economic and Social Committee on the above proposal and to request the Committee to give its opinion as soon as possible².

¹ 7048/18

² The sole purpose of this note is to decide on the consultation of another institution/body and not on the substance.