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To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)

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Subject: Proposal for a Council Decision on the system on Own Resources of the European Union
– *Optional consultation of the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions*

1. On 2 May 2018, the Commission submitted to the Council a Proposal for a Council Decision on the system on Own Resources of the European Union.¹
2. The proposal, which is based on Article 311, third paragraph of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, does not require the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions.²

¹ Doc. 8357/18 + ADD 1 + ADD 2.

² The sole purpose of this note is to decide on the consultation of other institutions/bodies and not on the substance of the proposal.

3. Nevertheless, in view of the subject matter of the proposal, the Presidency suggests to consult these bodies on an optional basis.
 4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to decide, pursuant to Articles 304 and 307 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 and the Committee of the Regions on the above proposal and to request them to give their opinion as soon as possible.
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