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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION on the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2019-2020) complementing the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, and repealing Council Regulation (Euratom) N° 1314/2013 - Adoption

1. The Commission submitted to the Council its proposal for a Council Regulation on the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2019-2020) complementing the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation¹ on 1 December 2017.

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- 2. The Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) limits the duration of research and training programmes in the nuclear field to a maximum of five years². Therefore, Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1314/2013 on the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2014-2018) complementing the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation³, being an integral part of Horizon 2020, will expire at the end of 2018, whereas the other parts of Horizon 2020, based on respective provisions of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), will remain in force until the end of 2020. The present proposal aims at ensuring the continuation of the programme in 2019-2020.
- 3. The <u>Council</u> reached a general approach on the proposal at its meeting of 28-29 May 2018.
- 4. The European Parliament provided its opinion on 11 September 2018.
- 5. The European Economic and Social Committee provided its opinion on 6 July 2018.
- 6. Statements provided in view of the Council are reflected in the addendum to this note.
- 7. In the light of the above, the <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> is invited to suggest that the Council, in part "A" of the agenda of a forthcoming meeting, adopts the Council Regulation on the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community (2019-2020) complementing the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, and repealing Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1314/2013 as revised by the legal-linguists and contained in document 12431/18.

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² Euratom Treaty, Article 7.

³ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 948.