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Statement by Czech Republic

The Czech Republic supports the general aim of the IESS Regulation to make the data collection process more efficient and to improve the comparability and coherence of the data. But the Czech Republic remains convinced that the proposed addition of Article 6 is non-systematic since it separates two related subjects (the list and the names of variables on one hand and their description on the other hand). This leads to two different, difficult-to-coordinate legislative procedures and doubles the number of needed legislative acts for implementation of this Regulation.

The Czech Republic is convinced that the extension of scope of implementing regulation according to the provision in Article 7 can have a negative impact on capacity burden and costs of data collection.

The Czech Republic is of a strong opinion that the legal architecture should remain as it was concluded in the Council general approach.

Due to these reasons we cannot wholly embrace and support the compromise text and we will abstain from the vote.
