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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on establishing the European defence industry Reinforcement through common Procurement Act - General approach

Delegations will find enclosed a statement by Austria on the proposal for a regulation on establishing the European defence industry reinforcement through common procurement act (EDIRPA), to be added to the minutes of Coreper and Council.

Statement by Austria

It is Austria's understanding that the instrument as defined by the EDIRPA regulation will be used for common procurement of defence products required by Member States and associated countries, not intended for the transfer to third countries. It is further her understanding that no nuclear defence products will be procured with the instrument.