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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Union Secure Connectivity Programme for the period 2023-2027 **(first reading)**
- Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 16 February 2022 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 189(2) TFEU, to the Council.
2. On 14 February 2023 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council².

¹ 6318/22 + ADD1-4.

² 6290/23.

3. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to:
 - confirm its agreement and to suggest that the Council approve the European Parliament's position as set out in PE-CONS 65/22 and the joint statements as set out in the Addendum 1 to this note, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting;
 - decide to publish the statements set out in Addendum 1 in the C series of the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
4. The statements for the minutes of the Council meeting are set out in the Addendum 1 and Addendum 2 to this note.
5. If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the Presidents of the European Parliament and of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
