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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 on the protection of the Union and its Member States from economic coercion by third countries (first reading)  - Adoption of the legislative act
	= Statement

Joint Statement of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on Regulation (EU) 2023/... on the protection of the Union and its Member States from economic coercion by third countries

Economic coercion may affect any area of the Union's or a Member State's activities and may have complex political, economic and legal implications. This Regulation is a necessary and effective response to economic coercion and operates through deterrence but can lead to the adoption of countermeasures, where necessary in the last resort. This Regulation has no precedent, it is designed carefully and with due regard to the significant implications of cases of economic coercion. It follows that this Regulation and approaches therein, in particular the conferral of implementing powers to the Council under Article 4, are strictly subject-specific and they do not present a precedent for other legislative files based on Article 207 TFEU, or for proposing such acts. Equally, the rules on the use of the examination procedure in relation to Union response measures agreed in this instrument do not prejudge the outcome of other ongoing or future legislative negotiations and are not to be seen as precedent for other legislative files. This Regulation therefore shall not be considered as a precedent for other acts.

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