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

Subject: Draft DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down specific rules with respect to Directive 96/71/EC and Directive 2014/67/EU for posting drivers in the road transport sector and amending Directive 2006/22/EC as regards enforcement requirements and Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012 **(first reading)**
- Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons

1. On 31 May 2017 the Commission sent its proposal¹, based on Article 91(1) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 18 January 2018².
3. The Committee of the Regions delivered its opinion on 1 February 2018³.

¹ 9671/17.

² OJ C 197, 8.6.2018, p. 45.

³ OJ C 176, 23.5.2018, p 57.

4. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on 4 April 2019 ⁴.
 5. On 20 February 2020, the Council reached a political agreement on the Council's position at first reading on the above draft Regulation ⁵.
 6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is asked to suggest that the Council:
 - adopt its position at first reading, as set out in document 5112/20 and the statement of reasons, as set out in document 5112/20 ADD 1, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with BG/EE/CY/LV/LT/HU/MT/PL/RO voting against;
 - decide that the statements in Addendum 1 to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting.
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⁴ 7729/19.

⁵ In accordance with the letter of 23 January 2020 sent by the Chair of the European Parliament's Committee on Transport and Tourism to the Chair of COREPER, the European Parliament should, at second reading, approve the Council's position at first reading without amendment.