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NOTE

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- Subject:
- Voting result
 - Council Decision on the system of own resources of the European Union and repealing Decision 2014/335/EU, Euratom
 - Adoption of the legislative act
 - Outcome of the written procedure completed on 14 December 2020
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The outcome of voting on the above mentioned legislative act can be found in Annex 1 to this note.

Reference document:

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+ REV 2 (de)

+ REV 3 (el)

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date of adoption by Coreper of the decision to use the Written Procedure

11.12.2020

The statements and/or explanations of vote are in Annex 2 to this note.



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Institution: Council of the European Union
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 Voting Rule: unanimity
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Vote	Members
Yes	27
No	0
Abstain	0
Not participating	0
Total	27

Sitting date: 14/12/2020

Final result



Member State	Weighting	Vote	Member State	Weighting	Vote
BELGIQUE/BELGIË	2,56		LIETUVA	0,62	
БЪЛГАРИЯ	1,56		LUXEMBOURG	0,14	
CESKÁ REPUBLIKA	2,35		MAGYARORSZÁG	2,18	
DANMARK	1,30		MALTA	0,11	
DEUTSCHLAND	18,54		NEDERLAND	3,89	
EESTI	0,30		ÖSTERREICH	1,98	
ÉIRE/IRELAND	1,10		POLSKA	8,49	
ΕΛΛΑΔΑ	2,40		PORTUGAL	2,30	
ESPAÑA	10,49		ROMÂNIA	4,34	
FRANCE	14,98		SLOVENIJA	0,47	
HRVATSKA	0,91		SLOVENSKO	1,22	
ITALIA	13,65		SUOMI/FINLAND	1,23	
ΚΥΠΡΟΣ	0,20		SVERIGE	2,29	
LATVIJA	0,43				

* Abstentions do not prevent unanimity being reached

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Statement by the Netherlands

The Netherlands considers the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework, the Own Resources Decision, the Regulation on a general regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget and the Regulation establishing a Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) as a package. It is of utmost importance to respect the delicate balance of the European Council conclusions of 17-21 July 2020 and to ensure that the legislative texts are in conformity with these conclusions. At the moment, the RRF regulation is still in the trilogue phase so the final outcome is not known.

The Netherlands welcomes the agreement on the new Council Decision (EU, Euratom) on the system of own resources of the European Union (ORD). In the spirit of the principle of sincere cooperation and to allow for a swift introduction of the funds aimed at addressing the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Netherlands will vote in favour of the Council Decision, so that Member States may start their national procedures, in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements, required for the entry into force of the Council Decision.

Given the need to assess the complete package indicated above, including as a requirement to be able to receive parliamentary approval for the ORD, the Dutch government will only send the ORD to parliament after the trilogues on the proposed RRF regulation have led to a satisfactory outcome in full conformity with the European Council conclusions of 17-21 July. In the meantime, the Dutch government is finalising the necessary preparatory work that will allow for the start of the national parliamentary approval procedure, required by the Dutch Constitution.

Statement by Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania

Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania note that the trilogues on the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Regulation¹ are still ongoing. The co-legislators have not been able to agree on several political issues, which were explicitly addressed in the Conclusions of the European Council special meeting in July 2020 and remain a top priority for the Baltic States. These include, inter alia, the earmarking of EUR 1 384 million from the general envelope of the CEF transport part for the completion of missing major cross-border railway links between cohesion countries to support the functioning of the Single Market. According to the agreement, the co-financing rules of the transfer from the Cohesion Fund to CEF shall apply.

Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania emphasise that the compromise on Connecting Europe Facility forms an integral part of the MFF package. The full respect of the European Council conclusions on the MFF 2021-2027 from July 2020 in relation to the Connecting Europe Facility is instrumental for the success of the ratification and approval processes of the Own Resources Decision in the national parliaments of the Baltic States.

Rail Baltica is a greenfield EU flagship project, which creates a new rail corridor across the three Member States, connecting them to the European-gauge network and bridging the infrastructure gap. As the Baltic States currently lack any high-speed railway connections with other EU Member States or between themselves, Rail Baltica would provide a remarkable economic boost for the whole region and improve transport connectivity between cohesion countries. The project is essential for achieving the EU's increased climate ambition by encouraging modal shift from roads to an electrified railway, thus helping to significantly reduce transport emissions. The earmarked budget is fundamental for the timely completion of Rail Baltica, currently in active development with the aim to start operations by 2026.

The European Council has acknowledged the importance of completing major, missing cross-border railway connections, such as Rail Baltica, as they foster economic, social and territorial cohesion and combat climate change. Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania invite the European Parliament to share this position and support the earmarking provision as agreed by the European Council.

¹ Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Connecting Europe Facility and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1316/2013 and (EU) No 283/2014; 2018/0228 (COD)