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#### 'I' ITEM NOTE

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

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Subject: Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as regards additional resources and implementing arrangements to provide assistance for fostering crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its social consequences and for preparing a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy (REACT-EU) **(first reading)**  
- Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption of the legislative act

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1. On 28 May 2020 the Commission sent its proposal<sup>1</sup>, based on Articles 177 and 322(1)(a) TFUE, to the Council.
2. The Court of Auditors adopted its opinion on 13 July 2020<sup>2</sup>.
3. The European Economic and Social Committee has been consulted.

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<sup>1</sup> 8408/20.

<sup>2</sup> OJ C 272, 17.08.2020, p. 1.

4. The Committee of the Regions adopted its opinion on 14 October 2020<sup>3</sup>.
  5. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 16 December 2020<sup>4</sup>.
  6. Due to the special circumstances, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision (EU) 2020/1659<sup>5</sup>, that the Council uses the written procedure for the adoption of the draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as regards additional resources and implementing arrangements to provide assistance for fostering crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its social consequences and for preparing a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy (REACT-EU), as set out in document PE- CONS 58/20.
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<sup>3</sup> Not yet published in the OJ.

<sup>4</sup> 14115/20.

<sup>5</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/1659 of 6 November 2020 further extending the temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure introduced by Decision (EU) 2020/430, and extended by Decisions (EU) 2020/556, (EU) 2020/702, (EU) 2020/970 and (EU) 2020/1253, in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 376, 10.11.2020, p. 3–4)