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### COMMUNICATION

#### **WRITTEN PROCEDURE**

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Subject: Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the Union Space Programme and the European Union Agency for the Space Programme and repealing Regulations (EU) No 912/2010, (EU) No 1285/2013 and (EU) No 377/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU

- Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons
- Outcome of the written procedure initiated by CM 2688/21

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Delegations are informed that the written procedure, opened by CM 2688/21 on Wednesday, 14 April 2021, was completed on Monday, 19 April 2021, and that all delegations voted in favour of the adoption of the Council's position at first reading on the draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Union Space Programme and the European Union Agency for the Space Programme and repealing Regulations (EU) No 912/2010, (EU) No 1285/2013 and (EU) No 377/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU as set out in document 14312/20, and the statement of the Council's reasons as set out in the ADD 1 to that document.

The required qualified majority has been reached. Therefore, the above position of the Council at first reading and the statement of the Council's reasons are adopted.

The statement by Sweden is reproduced in the Annex to this CM.

The above statement will be included in the summary of acts adopted by the written procedure as statements to be entered in the Council minutes, in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

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Statement by Sweden

Rymdprogrammet ska vara så öppet som möjligt. Företag inom EU ska kunna bidra till innovationer för att skapa trygghet, jobb och välfärd för Europas medborgare. Begränsningar av deltagande i rymdprogrammet för europeiska företag som har sin ägarbild utanför unionen ska endast kunna ske i yttersta undantagsfall, i synnerliga säkerhetskänsliga områden. I dessa fall måste väldefinierade omständigheter och kriterier gälla. Det är även viktigt att nationell kompetens respekteras i sammanhanget. Uteslutning av europeiska företag med ägarbild i för unionen strategiska partnerländer gynnar varken europeisk ekonomi, forskning, utveckling eller unionens säkerhet och konkurrenskraft.