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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the modification of customs duties applicable to imports of certain goods originating in or exported from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 28 January 2025 the Commission submitted its proposal¹, based on Article 207(2) TFEU, to the Council.
2. On 22 May 2025 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal². The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the agreement reached between the institutions on taking over the Commission proposal and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council.

¹ 5765/25 + ADD 1.

² 9216/25.

3. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to confirm its agreement and to suggest that the Council approve the European Parliament's position, as set out in PE-CONS 5/25, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting, with Hungary voting against and Belgium and Bulgaria abstaining.
4. If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

After being signed by the Presidents of the European Parliament and of the Council, the legislative act will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
