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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 amending Directive 2008/98/EC on waste (first reading) - Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons

1. On 5 July 2023, the Commission submitted its proposal¹, based on Article 192(1) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 25 October 2023².
3. The Committee of the Regions was consulted and decided not to issue an opinion.
4. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on 13 March 2024³.

¹ 11624/23 + ADD 1 to 8.

² <http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2024/888/oj>.

³ 10640/24.

5. On 18 March 2025, the European Parliament's Committee on Environment, Climate and Food Safety (ENVI) confirmed the provisional agreement reached by the co-legislators on the above Directive, after informal contacts had taken place between the Council and the European Parliament. Subsequently, its Chair sent a letter to the Chair of the Permanent Representatives Committee stating that the European Parliament should, at its second reading, approve the Council's position at first reading (following a legal-linguistic revision) without amendments.
 6. The Permanent Representatives Committee confirmed on 19 March 2025 the provisional agreement⁴.
 7. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to suggest that the Council adopt its position at first reading, as set out in 6978/25, and the statement of reasons, as set out in 6978/25 ADD 1, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.
 8. The statements for the minutes of the Council meeting are set out in the Addendum to this note.
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⁴ 7258/25.