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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 import, export and transit measures for firearms, essential components and ammunition, implementing Article 10 of the United Nations Protocol against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime (UN Firearms Protocol) (recast) (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act

1. On 27 October 2022 the Commission submitted its proposal¹, based on Articles 33 and 207 TFEU, to the Council.
2. On 23 April 2024 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal (without legal linguistic revision). After finalisation of the adopted text by the legal linguists, the Parliament approved a corrigendum to that position at its plenary session of 25 to 28 November 2024. It reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council².

¹ 14244/22, REV 1 (it) + ADD1-4.

² 16006/24.

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 87/24, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting, with Czechia and Slovakia abstaining.
4. The statement for the minutes of the Council meeting is set out in the Addendum to this note.
5. 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*.
