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### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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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 applying a generalised scheme of tariff preferences and repealing Regulation (EU) No 978/2012 **(first reading)**  
- Adoption of the legislative act

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1. On 22 September 2021 the Commission submitted its proposal<sup>1</sup>, based on Article 207(1) TFEU, to the Council.
2. On 28 April 2026 the European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal<sup>2</sup>. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council.
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 3/26, as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting, with Greece, Spain and Italy voting against and Belgium abstaining.

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<sup>1</sup> 12184/21 + ADD 1 to 4.

<sup>2</sup> 8550/26.

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*.

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