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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Council Implementing Decision pursuant to Article 7(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2092 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2020 on a general regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget, concerning a written notification from Hungary with regard to Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506 of 15 December 2022

1. On 23 September 2026, the Commission submitted to the Council its proposal for a Council Implementing Decision¹, concerning a written notification from Hungary with regard to Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506². The proposal has been submitted pursuant to Article 7(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2092 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2020 on a general regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget³ (Conditionality Regulation).

¹ Doc. 13519/26.

² Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506 of 15 December 2022 on measures for the protection of the Union budget against breaches of the principles of the rule of law in Hungary, OJ L 325, 20.12.2022, page 94, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2022/2506/oj.

³ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2092 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2020 on a general regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget (OJ L 433 I, 22.12.2020, page 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2020/2092/oj>).

2. Following the written notification from Hungary, the Commission reassessed the situation and the adequacy of the proposed remedial measures, including the new ones, with specific attention to those measures having a horizontal, structural and systemic nature. Based on its assessment, described in the proposal, the Commission concludes that the conditions for the adoption of measures under Article 4 of the Conditionality Regulation are no longer fulfilled and the Commission proposes the lifting of the measures contained in Article 2(1) and (2) of the Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506.
3. The Budget Committee examined the proposal at its meetings on 24 September and 1 October 2026, and was able to accept the Commission's proposal without any changes.
4. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to suggest that the Council adopt, as an "A" item at one of its forthcoming meetings, the above-mentioned Council Implementing Decision as finalised by the legal-linguist experts and set out in document 13568/26.

The Council Implementing Decision will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* in accordance with the applicable rules.
