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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Draft Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants, amending Directive 2003/35/EC and repealing Directive 2001/81/EC (**first reading**)  
- Adoption of the legislative act (**LA+S**)

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1. On 20 December 2013 the Commission sent its proposal,<sup>1</sup> based on Article 192(1) TFEU, to the Council.
2. The European Economic and Social Committee delivered its opinion on 10 July 2014.<sup>2</sup> The Committee of the Regions delivered its opinion on 7 October 2014.<sup>3</sup>
3. The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading on the Commission proposal on 23 November 2016. The outcome of voting in the European Parliament reflects the compromise agreement reached between the institutions and should, therefore, be acceptable to the Council.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 18167/13.

<sup>2</sup> OJ C 451, 16.12.2014, p. 134.

<sup>3</sup> OJ C 415, 20.11.2014, p. 23.

<sup>4</sup> 14747/16.

4. 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 34/16, as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting, with the Hungarian, Polish, Romanian, Lithuanian, Austrian and Danish delegations voting against and the Croatian delegation abstaining;
- order that the statements in Addenda 1 and 2 to this note be entered in the minutes of that meeting;
- decide to publish the statement set out in Addendum 1 in the Official Journal of the European Union together with the legislative act.

If the Council approves the European Parliament's position, the legislative act will be adopted.

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

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