

# AN CONRADH AR AN AONTAS EORPACH: DOICIMÉID A FUARTHAS DE BHUN PRÓTACAIL MAIDIR LE RÓL NA bParlaimintí Náisiúnta san Aontas Eorpach

01 AIBREÁN - 07 AIBREÁN 2024

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# TREATY ON EUROPEAN UNION: DOCUMENTS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO PROTOCOL ON THE ROLE OF NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

01 APRIL - 07 APRIL 2024

### Introduction

With the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty and the recognition of the desire to encourage greater involvement of national Parliaments in the activities of the European Union and to enhance their ability to express their views on draft legislative acts of the European Union as well as on other matters which may be of particular interest to them, the Protocol on the enhanced Role of National Parliaments provides the following under Title I, Information for National Parliaments:

### Article 1:

 Commission consultation documents (green and white papers and communications) shall be forwarded directly by the Commission to national Parliaments upon publication. The Commission shall also forward the annual legislative programme as well as any other instrument of legislative planning or policy to national Parliaments, at the same time as to the European Parliament and the Council;

### Article 2:

 Draft legislative acts<sup>1</sup> sent to the European Parliament and to the Council, originating from the Commission, initiated by the European Parliament or a group of Member States, requested by the Court of Justice, recommended by the European Central Bank or requested by the European Investment Bank;

### Article 5:

 The agendas for and the outcome of meetings of the Council, including the minutes of meetings where the Council is deliberating on draft legislative acts, shall be forwarded directly to national Parliaments, at the same time as to Member States' governments; and

### Article 6:

• Initiatives of the European Council under the simplified procedure for Treaty revisions in accordance with the first or second subparagraphs of Article 48(7)<sup>2</sup> of the Treaty on European Union;

### Article 7:

• The Court of Auditors shall forward its annual report to national Parliaments, for information, at the same time as to the European Parliament and to the Council.

While the Standing Orders of both Houses provide that EU documents referred to above automatically stand referred to the relevant Committee each member of the Houses can be considered to be entitled, as of right, to notice of the documents, given that the role is conferred on "National Parliaments" by the Treaty.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 'draft legislative acts' shall mean proposals from the Commission, initiatives from a group of Member States, initiatives from the European Parliament, requests from the Court of Justice, recommendations from the European Central Bank and requests from the European Investment Bank for the adoption of a legislative act.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Article 48(7) states that if a national parliament makes known its opposition within six months of the date of notification its opposition to a European Council proposal to amend the Treaties under the simplified revision procedure, the decision will not be adopted.

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| Article 1:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                    |
| 1.1 Commission consultation documents (green and white papers, communications, reports and staff working documents)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 3                  |
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| 1.2 Reasoned Opinions of National Parliaments on the application of the principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality in non-legislative acts                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | -                  |
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| Other Documents received:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | _                  |
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 $<sup>^{3}</sup>$  Documents not covered by the Protocol on the enhanced Role of National Parliaments

# All COM and SWD documents referenced can be accessed through IPEX

# **ARTICLE 1**

| 1.1 Commission consultation documents | (green and white | te papers, communication | ıs, reports |
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| and staff working documents)          |                  |                          |             |

| Document<br>Number | Document Title | Date<br>Transmitted |
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| 1.2 | Reasoned    | <b>Opinions</b> | of Nationa  | al Parliaments  | on the    | application | of the | principles | of |
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|     | Subsidiarit | y and Prop      | ortionality | in draft non-le | gislative | acts        |        |            |    |

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# **ARTICLE 2**

# 2.1 Draft legislative acts and accompanying documents

# (a) Draft legislative Acts received and accompanying documents

| Proposal      | Proposal Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Date        |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Number        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Transmitted |
| COM(2023) 514 | Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the positions to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the World Health Organization (WHO) Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC)                                            | 03/04/2024  |
| ST 8498/24    | From: General Secretariat of the Council date of receipt: 2 April 2024 To: Delegations Subject: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a monitoring framework for resilient European forests - European Economic and Social Committee's Opinion | 03/04/2024  |
| COM(2024) 164 | Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in                                                                                                                                                                            | 05/04/2024  |
|               | the Joint Committee established by the Agreement on                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |             |

|               | the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain<br>and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the<br>European Atomic Energy Community as regards the<br>adoption of a decision adding a newly adopted Union act |            |
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|               | to Annex 2 to the Windsor Framework                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |
| COM(2024) 165 | Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing the                                                                                                                                                                            | 05/04/2024 |
|               | position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in                                                                                                                                                                     |            |
|               | the Joint Committee established by the Agreement on                                                                                                                                                                         |            |
|               | the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain                                                                                                                                                                       |            |
|               | and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the                                                                                                                                                                        |            |
|               | European Atomic Energy Community as regards the                                                                                                                                                                             |            |
|               | adoption of a decision adding a newly adopted Union act                                                                                                                                                                     |            |
|               | to Annex 2 to the Windsor Framework                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |

(b) Letters received in relation to draft legislative acts confirming the date from which the eight-week period commences concerning the application of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality

| Proposal<br>Number | Proposal Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Date of Letter |
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| COM(2024)461       | OM(2024)461 Letter in relation to Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on providing macro-financial assistance to the Arab Republic of Egypt {SWD(2024) 461 final}                                                                                                                            |                |
| COM(2024)60        | Letter in relation to Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on combating the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child sexual abuse material and replacing Council Framework Decision 2004/68/JHA (recast) {SEC(2024) 57} - {SWD(2024) 32} - {SWD(2024) 33} - {SWD(2024) 34} | 02/04/2024     |

### 2.2 Documents received relevant to the ongoing negotiation of Draft legislative acts

(a) Communications published pursuant to Article 294 TFEU concerning the ordinary legislative procedure e.g., outcomes/positions adopted at **first reading** 

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(b)Reasoned Opinions of National Parliaments on the application of the principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality in draft legislative acts

| Document      | Document Title                                               | Date       |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Number        |                                                              | Received   |
| COM(2023) 529 | Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE on transfer pricing         | 04/04/2024 |
|               | [COM(2023) 529 - Council ST 12954/23 - 2023/0322 (CNS)] -    |            |
|               | Reasoned opinion on the application of the Principles of     |            |
|               | Subsidiarity and Proportionality1 From: The Maltese House of |            |
|               | Representatives                                              |            |

# **ARTICLE 5**

| The agendas for and the outcome of meetings of the Council |                                                                                                                                 |            |  |  |  |
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|                                                            | Agenda Title                                                                                                                    |            |  |  |  |
| CM 2391/24                                                 | NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (Foreign Affairs) ECCL, Luxembourg 22 April 2024 (08:30) | 05/04/2024 |  |  |  |
|                                                            | Outcome Title                                                                                                                   |            |  |  |  |
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# **Other Documents Received**

Documents received regarding amendments to the Treaties pursuant to Art 48(2) of the Treaty on European Union

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