



Tithe an  
Oireachtais  
Houses of the  
Oireachtas

**AN CONRADH AR AN AONTAS EORPACH:  
DOICIMÉID A FUARTHAS DE BHUN PRÓTACAIL MAIDIR LE RÓL NA  
bPARLAIMINTÍ NÁISIÚNTA SAN AONTAS EORPACH**

**11 NOLLAIG – 17 NOLLAIG 2023**

---

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

**11 DECEMBER – 17 DECEMBER 2023**

**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.

Clerk  
Dáil Éireann

Clerk  
Seanad Éireann

---

<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>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.

**CONTENTS**

<b>Document Received</b>	<b>Page Number</b>
<b>Article 1:</b> 1.1 Commission consultation documents (green and white papers, communications, reports and staff working documents)  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  1.2 Reasoned Opinions of National Parliaments on the application of the principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality in non-legislative acts	3          -
<b>Article 2:</b> 2.1 Draft legislative acts (a) <i>Draft legislative Acts received and accompanying documents</i> (b) <i>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</i> 2.2 Documents relevant to the ongoing negotiation of Draft legislative acts (a) <i>Communications published pursuant to Article 294 TFEU concerning the ordinary legislative procedure e.g., positions adopted at first reading</i> (b) <i>Reasoned Opinions of National Parliaments on the application of the principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality in draft legislative acts</i>	4   5   -  5/6
<b>Article 5:</b>  Agendas for and the outcome of meetings of the Council, including the minutes of meetings where the Council is deliberating on draft legislative acts	7
<b>Other Documents received:</b>  Documents received regarding amendments to the Treaties pursuant to Art 48 (2) of the Treaty on European Union <sup>3</sup>	7

<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 papers, communications, reports and staff working documents)**

<b>Document Number</b>	<b>Document Title</b>	<b>Date Transmitted</b>
<b>COM(2023) 778</b>	REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL Report on the implementation of Article 5 of the Renewable Energy Directive (EU) 2018/2001	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 788</b>	REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL on data pertaining to the budgetary impact of the 2023 annual update of remuneration and pensions of the officials and other servants of the European Union and the correction coefficients applied thereto	<b>13/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 630</b>	COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS on Defence of Democracy	<b>13/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 789</b>	REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL on the exercise of the power to adopt delegated acts conferred on the Commission by Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples, amending Regulations (EC) No 808/2004, (EC) No 452/2008 and (EC) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1177/2003 and (EC) No 577/98	<b>14/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 792</b>	COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS State of Health Preparedness Report 2023	<b>15/12/2023</b>

### **1.2 Reasoned Opinions of National Parliaments on the application of the principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality in draft non-legislative acts**

<b>Document Number</b>	<b>Document Title</b>	<b>Date Received</b>
	_____	

**ARTICLE 2****2.1 Draft legislative acts and accompanying documents***(a) Draft legislative Acts received and accompanying documents*

<b>Proposal Number</b>	<b>Proposal Title</b>	<b>Date Transmitted</b>
<b>COM(2023) 784</b>	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the World Trade Organization's 13th Ministerial Conference on the accession of the Union of the Comoros to the WTO	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 776</b>	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the World Trade Organization's 13th Ministerial Conference on the accession of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste to the WTO	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 785</b>	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the accession of Tuvalu to the Interim Partnership Agreement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Pacific States, of the other part	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 636</b>	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) No 1024/2012 and (EU) 2018/1724 as regards certain requirements laid down by Directive (EU) XXXX/XXXX (Text with EEA relevance) {SWD(2023) 663-664 final} - {SEC(2023) 637 final}	<b>13/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 637</b>	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing harmonised requirements in the internal market on transparency of interest representation carried out on behalf of third countries and amending Directive (EU) 2019/1937 (Text with EEA relevance) {SEC(2023) 637 final} - {SWD(2023) 660 final} - {SWD(2023) 663 final} - {SWD(2023) 664 final}	<b>13/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 790</b>	Amended proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a mechanism to resolve legal and administrative obstacles in a cross-border context	<b>13/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 794</b>	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community	<b>13/12/2023</b>

*(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 Number	Proposal Title	Date of Letter
<b>COM(2023)702</b>	<b>Letter in relation to</b> Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Council Directive 92/106/EEC as regards a support framework for intermodal transport of goods and Regulation (EU) 2020/1056 of the European Parliament and the Council as regards calculation of external costs savings and generation of aggregated data (Text with EEA relevance) {SEC(2023) 373 final} - {SWD(2023) 351 final} - {SWD(2023) 352 final}	<b>12/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023)728</b>	<b>Letter in relation to</b> Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on a monitoring framework for resilient European forests (Text with EEA relevance) {SEC(2023) 384 final} - {SWD(2023) 372 final} - {SWD(2023) 373 final} - {SWD(2023) 374 final}	<b>14/12/2023</b>

## **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***

Document Number	Document Title	Date Received
	—	

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

Document Number	Document Title	Date Received
<b>COM(2023)443</b>	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the use of railway infrastructure capacity in the single European railway area, amending Directive 2012/34/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 [ST 11718/23 - <b>COM(2023)443</b> ] – Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality From: Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023)335</b>	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027 [doc. 10898/23 - COM(2023)337] Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL	<b>12/12/2023</b>

	establishing the Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform ('STEP') and amending Directive 2003/87/EC, Regulations (EU) 2021/1058, (EU) 2021/1056, (EU) 2021/1057, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) 2021/1060, (EU) 2021/523, (EU) 2021/695, (EU) 2021/697 and (EU) 2021/241 [doc. 10900/23 - <b>COM(2023)335</b> ] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality From: Irish Houses of the Oireachtas	
<b>COM(2023) 451</b>	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on circularity requirements for vehicle design and on management of end-of-life vehicles, amending Regulations (EU) 2018/858 and 2019/1020 and repealing Directives 2000/53/EC and 2005/64/EC [11888/22 + ADD 1 - 8 - <b>COM (2023) 451</b> ] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality <sup>1</sup> From: Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic	<b>12/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 582</b>	Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2014/62/EU as regards certain reporting requirements [15802/23 - <b>COM(2023) 582</b> final] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality From: The Portuguese Parliament	<b>14/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 411</b>	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on plants obtained by certain new genomic techniques and their food and feed, and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 [11592/23 + ADD 1 - <b>COM(2023) 411</b> final] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality From: The Italian Senate	<b>14/12/2023</b>
<b>COM(2023) 234</b>	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on combating corruption, replacing Council Framework Decision 2003/568/JHA and the Convention on the fight against corruption involving officials of the European Communities or officials of Member States of the European Union and amending Directive (EU) 2017/1371 of the European Parliament and of the Council [9241/23 - <b>COM(2023) 234</b> final] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality From: The Austrian Bundesrat	<b>15/12/2023</b>

**ARTICLE 5**

The agendas for and the outcome of meetings of the Council		
	Agenda Title	
<b>ST 16473/23</b>	PROVISIONAL AGENDA COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (General Affairs) Europa building, Brussels 12 December 2023 (09:30)	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>CM 5576/23 REV2</b>	NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (General Affairs) Europa building, Brussels 12 December 2023 (09:30)	<b>11/12/2023</b>
<b>ST 16668/23</b>	PROVISIONAL AGENDA COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (Environment) Europa building, Brussels 18 December 2023 (10:00)	<b>15/12/2023</b>
	Outcome Title	
	_____	

**Other Documents Received**

Documents received regarding amendments to the Treaties pursuant to Art 48(2) of the Treaty on European Union		
Document Number	Document Title	Date Received
<b>ST 16896/23</b>	From: General Secretariat of the Council To: Delegations Subject: Council Implementing Decision setting out a recommendation on addressing the deficiencies identified in the 2022 evaluation of Portugal on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of management of the external borders	<b>15/12/2023</b>
<b>ST 16768/23</b>	From: General Secretariat of the Council To: National Parliaments Subject: Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) - Meeting of the LXX COSAC (Madrid, 26-28 November 2023) – Contribution – Conclusions	<b>15/12/2023</b>