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

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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 acts¹ 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)² 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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¹ '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.

² 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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1.1 Commission consultation documents (green and white papers, communications, reports and staff working documents)

Document Number	Document Title	Date Transmitted

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

Document Number	Document Title	Date Received

ARTICLE 2

2.1 Draft legislative acts and accompanying documents

(a) Draft legislative Acts received and accompanying documents

Proposal Number	Proposal Title	Date Transmitted

(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

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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COM(2023) 533	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on combating late payment in commercial transactions [12976/23 REV1 - COM(2023) 533 final/2] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality From: The Romanian Senate	03/01/2024

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CM 5897/23	NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (Agriculture and Fisheries) Europa building, Brussels 23 January 2024 (10:00)	03/01/2024
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