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

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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
C(2021)1372	COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION of 4.3.2021 on an effective active support to employment following the COVID-19 crisis (EASE)	08/03/2021
COM(2021)103	REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL on the application of Directive 2014/94/EU on the deployment of alternative fuels infrastructure {SWD(2021) 49 final}	08/03/2021
SWD(2021)49	COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT Detailed Assessment of the Member States Implementation Reports on the National Policy Frameworks for the development of the market as regards alternative fuels in the transport sector and the deployment of the relevant infrastructure. Implementation of Art 10 (3) of Directive 2014/94/EU <i>Accompanying the document</i> REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL on the application of Directive 2014/94/EU on the deployment of alternative fuels infrastructure {COM(2021) 103 final}	08/03/2021
C(2021)1002	REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION of 15.2.2021 The EU in 2020: General Report on the activities of the European Union Published in accordance with Article 249(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union	09/03/2021
COM(2021)109	REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS on the application of Regulation (EC) No 850/2004 on persistent organic pollutants {SWD(2021) 53 final}	09/03/2021
SWD(2021)53	COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT Union Synthesis Report on the application of Regulation (EC) No 850/2004 on persistent organic pollutants <i>Accompanying the document</i> REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS on the application of Regulation (EC) No 850/2004 on persistent organic pollutants {COM(2021) 109 final}	09/03/2021

COM(2021)110	COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL on the EU's humanitarian action: new challenges, same principles	10/03/2021
COM(2021)118	COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS 2030 Digital Compass: the European way for the Digital Decade	10/03/2021
SWD(2021)44	COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT <i>Accompanying the document</i> Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the dock dues in the French outermost regions and amending Decision No 940/2014/EU {COM(2021) 95 final}	11/03/2021
JOIN(2021)5	JOINT REPORT TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL Macao Special Administrative Region: Annual Report for 2020	12/03/2021
JOIN(2021)6	JOINT REPORT TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL Hong Kong Special Administrative Region: Annual Report for 2020	12/03/2021
COM(2021)117	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 pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/974 on statistics of goods transport by inland waterways	12/03/2021

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
COM(2021)108	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 as regards official controls on animals and products of animal origin exported from third countries to the Union to ensure compliance with the prohibition of certain uses of antimicrobials	09/03/2021

COM(2021)111	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EU) 2021/92 as regards certain fishing opportunities for 2021 in Union and non-Union waters	10/03/2021
COM(2021)112	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the European Union in the International Tropical Timber Council on the extension of the International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006	10/03/2021
COM(2021)116	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the European Committee for drawing up standards in the field of Inland navigation and in the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine on the adoption of standards concerning harmonised river information services	11/03/2021
COM(2021)113	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) Area of Competence, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1936/2001, (EC) No 1984/2003 and (EC) No 520/2007	11/03/2021
COM(2021)114	Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union regarding the envisaged decision of the Participants to the Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits	11/03/2021
COM(2021)115	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL implementing the Kimberley Process certification scheme for the international trade in rough diamonds (recast)	12/03/2021

(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
COM(2021)93	Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL to strengthen the application of the principle of equal pay for equal work or work of equal value between men and women through pay transparency and enforcement mechanisms {SEC(2021) 101 final} - {SWD(2021) 41 final} - {SWD(2021) 42 final}	10/03/2021
COM(2021)108	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 as regards official controls on animals and products of animal origin exported from third countries to the Union to ensure compliance with the prohibition of certain uses of antimicrobials	10/03/2021

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
ST 6573/21	Subject: Position (EU) No 1/2021 of the Council at first reading with a view to the adoption of a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on rail passengers' rights and obligations (recast) - Adopted by the Council on 25 January 2021 (Official Journal of the European Union C 68 of 26 February 2021)	09/03/2021

(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
COM(2020) 749	Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards conferral of implementing powers to the Commission to determine the meaning of the terms used in certain provisions of that Directive [14293/20 - COM (2020) 749 final] - Reasoned opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality [Swedish Parliament]	08/03/2021
COM(2020) 798	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL concerning batteries and waste batteries, repealing Directive 2006/66/EC and amending Regulation (EU) No 2019/1020 [13944/20 + ADD 1 - COM(2020) 798 final + Annex] - Opinion1 on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality [Portuguese Parliament]	08/03/2021
COM(2020) 829	Proposal for Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the resilience of critical entities [14262/20- COM(2020) 829 final] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality [Czech Parliament]	10/03/2021
COM(2020) 824	COM(2020) 824 ANNEX to the Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on guidelines for trans- European energy infrastructure and repealing Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality [Portuguese Parliament]	11/03/2021
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COM(2020) 712	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on a computerised system for communication in cross-border civil and criminal proceedings (e-CODEX system), and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1726 [13709/20 – COM(2020) 712 final] - Opinion on the application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality [Spanish Parliament]	12/03/2021
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	Agenda Title	
CM 2106/21	NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (General Affairs) Europa building, Brussels 23 March 2021 (10.00)	08/03/2021
	Outcome Title	
ST 11024/20	OUTCOME OF THE COUNCIL MEETING 3770th Council meeting General Affairs Brussels, 22 September 2020	09/03/2021

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
N/A	Notification of public consultations launched by the European Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customs • Taxation • Borders and Security 	12/03/2021