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Regarding the information on new proposals for legal acts of the European Union and on preliminary positions presented in an accordance with Article 58a subsection 8 of Rules of Procedure of the Slovak Republic

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A. Notes

- 1. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the implementation, results and overall assessment of the European Year for Development 2015, COM (2016) 525.
- 2. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council implementing the Paris Agreement progress in achieving the target of the EU towards reducing the emissions by the 40% (required under Article 21 of Regulation (EU) no 525/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 may 2013 on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and for reporting other information at national and union level relevant to climate change and repealing decision no 280/2004/EC), COM (2016) 707;
- 3. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund following an application from Spain EGF/2016/004 ES/Comunidad Valenciana Automotive, COM (2016) 708 and the preliminary position;
- **4.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) no 1286/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on key information documents for packaged retail and insurance-based investment products as regards the date of its application, **COM** (**2016**) **709**;
- 5. Proposal for a Council Decision on EU accession to the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC), COM (2016) 712 and the preliminary position;
- **6.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on EAGF expenditure Early Warning System No 8-10/2016, **COM (2016) 713**;
- 7. Communication from the European Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions 2016 Communication on EU Enlargement Policy, **COM** (2016) 715;

- **8.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Annual Report on negotiations undertaken by the Commission in the field of export credits, in the sense of Regulation (EU) No 1233/2011, **COM (2016) 718**;
- 9. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council assessing the impact of existing national law, establishing as a criminal offence the use of services which are the objects of exploitation of trafficking in human beings, on the prevention of trafficking in human beings, in accordance with Article 23 (2) of the Directive 2011/36/EU, COM (2016) 719;
- 10. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council Seventh report on relocation and resettlement, COM (2016) 720;
- 11. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union and Regulation (EU) 2016/1037 on protection against subsidised imports from countries not members of the European Union, COM (2016) 721 and the preliminary position;
- **12.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council assessing the extent to which Member States have taken the necessary measures in order to comply with Directive 2011/36/EU on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims in accordance with Article 23 (1), **COM** (2016) 722;
- 13. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Development of the dairy market situation and the operation of the "Milk Package" provisions, **COM** (2016) 724:
- **14.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Central Bank, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank- Annual Growth Survey 2017, **COM** (**2016**) **725**;
- 15. Recommendation from the Council on the economic policy of the euro area, COM (2016) 726:
- **16.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Central Bank, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions- Towards a positive fiscal stance for the euro area, **COM** (**2016**) **727**;
- 17. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Central Bank and the European Economic and Social Committee Alert Mechanism Report 2017 (prepared in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 of Regulations (EU) No 1176/2011 on the prevention and correction of macroeconomic imbalances), COM (2016) 728;
- **18.** Draft Joint Employment Report from the Commission and the Council accompanying the Communication from the Commission on the Annual Growth Survey 2017, **COM** (**2016**) **729**;
- **19.** Communication from the Commission 2017 Draft Budgetary Plans: Overall Assessment, **COM (2016) 730**;
- 20. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council Second Progress report towards an effective and genuine Security Union, COM (2016) 732;
- **21.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Europe's next leaders: the Start-up and Scale-up Initiative, **COM** (**2016**) **733**;
- 22. Communication from the Commission to the Council on reaching an agreement conferring special status on the European Union within the International Organisation of Vine and Wine (OIV), COM (2016) 735
- 23. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on food and food ingredients treated with ionising radiation for the year 2015, COM (2016) 738;
- 24. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the

- European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions -Next steps for a sustainable European future: European action for sustainability, **COM** (2016) 739;
- **25.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the Implementation of the European Energy Programme for Recovery and the European Energy Efficiency Fund, **COM** (**2016**) **743**;
- **26.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the application of Directive (EU) 2015/413 facilitating cross-border exchange of information on road-safety-related traffic offences, **COM** (**2016**) **744**;
- 27. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1101/89, Regulations (EC) No 2888/2000 and (EC) No 685/2001, COM (2016) 745 and the preliminary position;
- **28.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on a model status agreement as referred to in Article 54(5) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1624 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 September 2016 on the European Border and Coast Guard, **COM** (**2016**) **747**;
- **29.** Report from the Commission on availability of training for service personnel regarding the safe handling of climate-friendly technologies replacing or reducing the use of fluorinated greenhouse gases, **COM** (2016) 748
- **30.** Report from the Commission on barriers posed by codes, standards and legislation to using climate-friendly technologies in the refrigeration, air conditioning, heat pumps and foam sectors, **COM** (**2016**) **749**;
- **31.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of the names of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs and the protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks, **COM** (**2016**) **750** and the preliminary position;
- **32.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Annual report of the European Union's humanitarian aid and civil protection policies and their implementation in 2015, **COM** (2016) 751;
- **33.** Report from the Commission Final Report of the Sector Inquiry on Capacity Mechanisms, **COM (2016) 752**;
- **34.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council 2009-2015 report on the financial situation of the unemployment benefit scheme for former members of the temporary or contract staff and accredited parliamentary assistants who are unemployed after the termination of their service in a European Union institution, **COM** (2016) 754;
- **35.** Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 904/2010 on administrative cooperation and combating fraud in the field of value added tax, **COM** (2016) 755;
- **36.** Proposal for a Council Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 282/2011 laying down implementing measures for Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax, **COM (2016) 756**;
- **37.** Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC and Directive 2009/132/EC as regards certain value added tax obligations for supplies of services and distance sales of goods, **COM** (**2016**) **757**;
- **38.** Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC, as regards rates of value added tax applied to books, newspapers and periodicals, **COM** (**2016**) **758**;
- **39.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Governance of the Energy Union, amending Directive 94/22/EC, Directive 98/70/EC, Directive 2009/31/EC, Regulation (EC) No 663/2009, Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, Directive 2009/73/EC, Council Directive 2009/119/EC, Directive 2010/31/EU, Directive 2012/27/EU, Directive 2013/30/EU and Council Directive (EU) 2015/652 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 525/2013, **COM (2016) 759**;
- 40. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Evaluation of

- Directive 2009/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009 simplifying terms and conditions of transfers of defence-related products within the Community, **COM** (2016) 760;
- **41.** Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency, **COM (2016) 761**;
- **42.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of Directive 2009/81/EC on public procurement in the fields of defence and security, to comply with Article 73(2) of that Directive, **COM** (2016) 762;
- **43.** Communication from the European Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank Accelerating Clean Energy Innovation, **COM** (**2016**) **763**;
- **44.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Investment Plan for Europe: Evaluating the investment plan: evidence to support its reinforcement, **COM** (2016) 764;
- **45.** Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings, **COM** (**2016**) **765**;
- **46.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the implementation of the Council Recommendation on promoting health-enhancing physical activity across sectors, **COM** (**2016**) **768**;
- **47.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Energy prices and costs in Europe, **COM** (**2016**) **769**;
- **48.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Chile on trade in organic products, **COM** (**2016**) **771 and the preliminary position**;
- **49.** Report from the Commission on the working of Committees during 2015, **COM** (**2016**) **772**;
- **50.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on benchmarking of diversity practices under Directive 2013/36/EU, **COM** (**2016**) **774**;
- **51.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of the measures concerning the apiculture sector of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, **COM** (**2016**) **776**;
- **52.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken by the Union in the Working Party of the Participants to the OECD Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits with regard to Market Benchmark Pricing Rules, **COM** (**2016**) **779 and the preliminary position**;
- **53.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Fifth report on monitoring development of the rail market, **COM** (2016) 780;
- **54.** Proposal for a Council Regulation fixing for 2017 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks in the Black Sea, **COM** (**2016**) **781 and the preliminary position**;
- 55. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the operation of the system of access to vehicle repair and maintenance information established by Regulation (EC) No 715/2007 on type approval of motor vehicles with respect to emissions from light passenger and commercial vehicles (Euro 5 and Euro 6) and on access to vehicle repair and maintenance information, COM (2016) 782;
- **56.** Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural and industrial products, **COM (2016) 783**;

- **57.** Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013 opening and providing for the management of autonomous tariff quotas of the Union for certain agricultural and industrial products, **COM** (2016) 784;
- **58.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on integrated farm statistics and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1166/2008 and (EU) No 1337/2011, **COM** (2016) 786 and the preliminary position;
- **59.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as regards specific measures to provide additional assistance to Member States affected by natural disasters, **COM** (2016) 778 and the preliminary position;
- **60.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Saving Lives: Boosting Car Safety in the EU Reporting on the monitoring and assessment of advanced vehicle safety features, their cost effectiveness and feasibility for the review of the regulations on general vehicle safety and on the protection of pedestrians and other vulnerable road users, **COM** (2016) 787;
- **61.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 as regards the territorial typologies (Tercet), **COM** (**2016**) **788**;
- **62.** Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council Fourth Report on the Progress made in the implementation of the EU-Turkey Statement, **COM** (2016) 792;
- **63.** Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament Establishing formal recognition that a certain number of acts of Union law in the field of environment that were adopted under Council Directive 91/692/EEC have become obsolete, **COM (2016) 793**;
- **64.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the effectiveness of Recommendation 2014/70/EU on minimum principles for the exploration and production of hydrocarbons (such as shale gas) using high-volume hydraulic fracturing, **COM** (2016) 794;
- **65.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of the scheme of specific measures for agriculture in favour of the smaller Aegean islands (SAI), **COM** (2016) 796;
- **66.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of the scheme of specific measures for agriculture in favour of the outermost regions of the Union (POSEI), **COM** (2016) 797;
- **67.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council adapting a number of legal acts providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny to Articles 290 and 291 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, **COM** (**2016**) **799 and the preliminary position**;
- **68.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the implementation of EU macro-regional strategies, **COM** (2016) 805;
- **69.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on EAGF expenditure Early Warning System No 11-12/2016, **COM (2016) 807**;
- **70.** Commission Working Document- Experience of Member States with Directive 2009/41/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009 on the contained use of genetically modified micro-organisms (recast) for the period 2009-2014, **COM** (2016) 808;
- **71.** Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax as regards the temporary application of a generalised reverse charge mechanism in relation to supplies of goods and services above a certain threshold, **COM** (2016) 811;
- 72. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European

- Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions European Structural and Investment Funds 2014-2020 2016 Summary Report of the programme annual implementation reports covering implementation in 2014-2015, **COM** (2016) 812;
- 73. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee in accordance with Article 138(7) of REACH to review if the scope of Article 60(3) should be extended to substances identified under Article 57(f) as having endocrine disrupting properties with an equivalent level of concern to other substances listed as substances of very high concern, COM (2016) 814;
- **74.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community, **COM** (2016) 818 and the preliminary position;
- **75.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on controls on cash-flows entering or leaving the Union and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1889/2005, **COM (2016) 825**;
- **76.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Adaptation of the ceiling of own resources and of the ceiling for appropriations for commitments following the entry into force of the Council Decision 2014/335 on the system of own resources of the European Union, **COM** (**2016**) **829**;
- 77. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on amending Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the ranking of unsecured debt instruments in insolvency hierarchy, COM (2016) 853 and the preliminary position;
- **78.** Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2013/36/EU as regards exempted entities, financial holding companies, mixed financial holding companies, remuneration, supervisory measures and powers and capital conservation measures, **COM** (2016) 854;
- **79.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Call For Evidence EU regulatory framework for financial services, **COM (2016) 855**;
- **80.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council under Article 85(1) of Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 on OTC derivatives, central counterparties and trade repositories, **COM** (**2016**) **857**:
- **81.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank Clean Energy For All Europeans, **COM** (2016) 860;
- **82.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on risk-preparedness in the electricity sector and repealing Directive 2005/89/EC, **COM** (2016) 862;
- **83.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council Establishing a European Union Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (recast), **COM** (2016) 863:
- **84.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the evaluation of the second generation Schengen Information System (SIS II) in accordance with art. 24 (5), 43 (3) and 50 (5) of Regulation (EC) No 1987/2006 and art. 59 (3) and 66 (5) of Decision 2007/533/JHA, **COM (2016) 880**;
- **85.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions investing in Europe's youth, **COM** (2016) 940;
- **86.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions improving and modernising education, **COM** (2016) 941;

- **87.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions a European Solidarity Corps, **COM** (2016) 942;
- **88.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions European Defence Action Plan, **COM** (2016) 950;
- **89.** Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council Second progress report: first deliverables on the partnership framework with third countries under the European agenda on migration, **COM** (2016) 960;
- **90.** Joint Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Framework Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Australia, of the other part, **JOIN** (2016) 51 and the preliminary position;
- **91.** Joint Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part, **JOIN** (2016) 54 and the preliminary position;
- **92.** Joint Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Strategic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Canada, of the other part, **JOIN** (2016) 56 and the preliminary position;

B. Requests

pursuant to Article 58a (3) f) of Rules of Procedure

1. the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic to submit a position toward:

- Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC, as regards rates of value added tax applied to books, newspapers and periodicals, **COM (2016) 758**;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as regards specific measures to provide additional assistance to Member States affected by natural disasters, **COM** (2016) 778;
- Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax as regards the temporary application of a generalised reverse charge mechanism in relation to supplies of goods and services above a certain threshold, **COM** (2016) 811;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on controls on cash entering or leaving the Union and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1889/2005, **COM (2016) 825**;

2. the Economic Affairs Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic to submit a position toward:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union and Regulation (EU) 2016/1037 on protection against subsidised imports from countries not members of the European Union, **COM** (2016) 721;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Governance of the Energy Union, amending Directive 94/22/EC, Directive 98/70/EC, Directive 2009/31/EC, Regulation (EC) No 663/2009, Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, Directive 2009/73/EC, Council Directive 2009/119/EC, Directive 2010/31/EU, Directive 2012/27/EU, Directive 2013/30/EU and Council Directive (EU) 2015/652 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 525/2013, **COM** (2016) 759;

- Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency, **COM (2016) 761**;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on risk-preparedness in the electricity sector and repealing Directive 2005/89/EC, COM (2016) 862;

C. Notes

submitted positions of the Committees of the National Council of the Slovak Republic pursuant to Article 58a (3) f) of Rules of Procedure

1. position of the Culture and Media Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:

- Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on copyright in the Digital Single Market, **COM** (2016) 593;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules on the exercise of copyright and related rights applicable to certain online transmissions of broadcasting organisations and retransmissions of television and radio programmes, **COM** (2016) 594;

2. position of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD) and establishing the EFSD Guarantee and the EFSD Guarantee Fund, **COM** (2016) 586;
- Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020, **COM** (2016) 604;

3. position of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a Union programme to support specific activities enhancing the involvement of consumers and other financial services end-users in Union policy making in the field of financial services for the period of 2017-2020, **COM** (2016) 388;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 345/2013 on European venture capital funds and Regulation (EU) No 346/2013 on European social entrepreneurship funds, **COM** (2016) 461;

D. Authorises

The Committee Chairman

to inform the Speaker of the National Council of the Slovak Republic, pertinent Chairmen of the Committees of the National Council of Slovak Republic and pertinent government members about the adopted Resolution.

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