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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

- Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions. On the review and update of the second European Union Implementation Plan in accordance with Article 8 (4) of Regulation No 850/2004 on persistent organic pollutants, COM (2018) 848;
- 2. Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Protocol to the Cooperation Agreement on a Civil Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Korea, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Croatia and Romania to the European Union, COM (2018) 853 and the preliminary position;
- **3.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Protocol to the Cooperation Agreement on a Civil Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Korea, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Croatia and Romania to the European Union, **COM (2018) 854 and the preliminary position;**
- 4. Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken, on behalf of the European Union, in the sixty-second session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on the scheduling of substances under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971, COM (2018) 862 and the preliminary position;
- 5. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules ensuring basic air connectivity with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the Union, COM (2018) 893 and the preliminary position;
- 6. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on certain aspects of aviation safety with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the Union, COM (2018) 894 and the preliminary position;

- 7. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules ensuring basic road freight connectivity with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the Union, COM (2018) 895 and the preliminary position;
- 8. 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 (2019) 1
- **9.** Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision on the transitional rules for the appointment of European Prosecutors for and during the first mandate period, provided for in Article 16(4) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ("the EPPO"), **COM (2019) 2** and the preliminary position;
- 10. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the conditions for accessing the other EU information systems and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1862 and Regulation (EU) yyyy/xxx [ECRIS-TCN], COM (2019) 3;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the conditions for accessing other EU information systems for ETIAS purposes and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1240, Regulation (EC) No 767/2008, Regulation (EU) 2017/2226 and Regulation (EU) 2018/1861, COM (2019) 4;
- 12. Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision authorising France to apply a reduced rate of taxation to unleaded petrol used as motor fuel and consumed in Corsican departments in accordance with Article 19 of Directive 2003/96/EC, COM (2019) 6 and the preliminary position;
- Proposal for a Council Decision on the renewal of the Agreement on cooperation in science and technology between the European Community and the Government of the Russian Federation, COM (2019) 7 and the preliminary position;
- 14. Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council Towards a more efficient and democratic decision making in EU tax policy, COM (2019) 8;
- **15.** Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision authorising Lithuania to introduce a special measure derogating from Article 193 of Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax, **COM (2019) 9 and the preliminary position;**
- **16.** Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision authorising Poland to introduce a special measure derogating from Article 226 of Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax, **COM (2019) 10 and the preliminary position;**
- 17. Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the 14th Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal with regard to certain amendments of Annexes II, VIII and IX thereto, COM (2019) 11 and the preliminary position;
- **18.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Investor Citizenship and Residence Schemes in the European Union, **COM** (2019) 12;
- 19. Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Regulation (EU) No 511/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on compliance measures for users from the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization in the Union, COM (2019) 13;
- **20.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98, **COM (2019) 14;**

- 21. Recommendation for a Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations of an agreement with the United States of America on conformity assessment, COM (2019) 15;
- 22. Recommendation for a Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations of an agreement with the United States of America on the elimination of tariffs for industrial goods, COM (2019) 16;
- **23.** Report from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament competition enforcement in the Pharmaceutical sector (2009-2017) European competition authorities working together for affordable and innovative medicines, **COM (2019) 17**;
- 24. Reflection Paper Towards a Sustainable Europe by 2030, COM (2019) 22;
- **25.** 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 (2019) 21;**
- 26. Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the notification of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of its wish no longer to take part in some of the provisions of the Schengen acquis which are contained in Council Regulation (EC) No 377/2004 of 19 February 2004 on the creation of an immigration liaison officers network, COM (2019) 23;
- 27. Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Principality of Liechtenstein on the application of certain provisions of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, of Council Decision 2008/616/JHA on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, and the Annex thereto, and of Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities, COM (2019) 24 and the preliminary position;
- 28. Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the application of certain provisions of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, of Council Decision 2008/616/JHA on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, and the Annex thereto, and of Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities, COM (2019) 26 and the preliminary position;
- **29.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and on the provisional application of certain provisions of the Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the application of certain provisions of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, of Council Decision 2008/616/JHA on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border crime, and the Annex thereto, and of Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities, **COM (2019) 27 and the preliminary position;**
- **30.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) and Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement, **COM (2019) 31 and the preliminary position;**

- **31.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee, concerning an amendment to Annex IX (Financial Services) to the EEA Agreement (Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation (MiFIR) and Directive MiFID II), **COM (2019) 32;**
- 32. Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Annex IX (Financial services) and Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement, COM (2019) 33;
- **33.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the exercise of power to adopt delegated acts conferred on the Commission under Directive 2014/90/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on marine equipment, **COM (2019) 34;**
- 34. Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and on the provisional application of certain provisions of the Agreement between the European Union and the Principality of Liechtenstein on the application of certain provisions of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, of Council Decision 2008/616/JHA on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border crime, and the Annex thereto, and of Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities, COM (2019) 35 and the preliminary position;
- **35.** Commission Opinion on the request for amendments to Protocol No 5 on the Statute of the European Investment Bank, presented by the European Investment Bank on 11 October 2018, **COM (2019) 36;**
- **36.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Annual Report on the implementation of the European Union's instruments for financing external actions in 2017, **COM (2019) 37;**
- **37.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2015/757 in order to take appropriate account of the global data collection system for ship fuel oil consumption data, **COM (2019) 38;**
- **38.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee, concerning an amendment to Annex IX (Financial Services) to the EEA Agreement [Capital Requirements Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 (CRR) and Directive 2013/36/EU (CRD IV)], **COM (2019) 39;**
- **39.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1921/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 on the submission of statistical data on landings of fishery products in Member States, **COM (2019) 47;**
- 40. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 as regards certain rules relating to the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund by reason of the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union, COM (2019) 48;
- 41. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2403 as regards fishing authorisations for Union fishing vessels in United Kingdom waters and fishing operations of United Kingdom fishing vessels in Union waters, COM (2019) 49;
- **42.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the functioning of Regulation (EU) No 1337/2011 of the European Parliament and of the

Council of 13 December 2011 concerning European statistics on permanent crops, **COM** (2019) 50;

- **43.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Sixth report on monitoring development of the rail market, **COM (2019) 51;**
- **44.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the ninth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants as regards the proposals for amendments of Annexes A and B, COM (2019) 52 and the preliminary position;
- **45.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing contingency measures in the field of social security coordination following the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union, **COM (2019) 53 and the preliminary position;**
- **46.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the Conference of the Parties as regards amendments of Annex III to the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for certain hazardous chemicals and pesticides in international trade, **COM (2019) 54;**
- **47.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as regards the resources for the specific allocation for the Youth Employment Initiative, **COM (2019) 55**;
- **48.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the 14th General Assembly of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) as regards the election of the Secretary General of OTIF for the period from 8 April 2019 to 31 December 2021, **COM** (**2019**) **56 and the preliminary position;**
- **49.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the mid-term evaluation of the Customs 2020 programme, **COM (2019) 57;**
- **50.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the EPA Committee established under the Interim Agreement establishing a framework for an Economic Partnership Agreement between the Eastern and Southern Africa States, on the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, on the other part, as regard the amendment of certain provisions of Protocol 1 concerning the definition of the concept of 'originating products' and methods of administrative cooperation, **COM (2019) 58 and the preliminary position;**
- **51.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Mid-term evaluation of the Fiscalis 2020 programme, **COM (2019) 59;**
- **52.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the International Treatment of Central Banks and Public Entities Managing Public Debt with regard to OTC Derivatives Transactions, **COM** (2019) 62;
- **53.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the International Treatment of Central Banks and Public Entities Managing the Public Debt with regard to Securities Financing Transactions, **COM (2019) 63;**
- **54.** Proposal for a Council Regulation on measures concerning the implementation and financing of the general budget of the Union in 2019 in relation to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union, **COM (2019) 64 and the preliminary position;**
- **55.** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down provisions for the continuation of ongoing learning mobility activities under the Erasmus+ programme in the context of the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ("United Kingdom") from the European Union, **COM (2019) 65 and the preliminary position;**

- **56.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Exemption for the Bank of England and the United Kingdom Debt Management Office under the Market Abuse Regulation (MAR), **COM (2019) 68;**
- **57.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Exemption for the Central Bank of The United Kingdom ('Bank of England') under the Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation (MiFIR), **COM (2019) 69;**
- 58. Recommendation for a Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations in view of an agreement between the European Union and the United States of America on cross-border access to electronic evidence for judicial cooperation in criminal matters, COM (2019) 70;
- **59.** Recommendation for a Council Decision authorising the participation in negotiations on a second Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime (CETS No. 185), **COM (2019) 71;**
- **60.** Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization, in respect of the Adoption of Amendment 17 to Annex 13, COM (2019) 72 and the preliminary position;
- **61.** Report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on EAGF expenditure Early Warning System No 11-12/2018, COM (2019) 73;
- **62.** Draft Amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Court of Justice of the European Union, **5700/19 JUR 46 COUR 5 INST 17 and the preliminary position;**
- **63.** Commission Decision approving, on behalf of the European Union, the amendment to Tables III and IV of Protocol 2 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation of 22 July 1972, as amended, C (**2019**) **244**;

B. 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 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 establishing, as part of the Integrated Border Management Fund, the instrument for financial support for customs control equipment, **COM (2018) 474;**
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the 'Customs' programme for cooperation in the field of customs COM (2018) 442;
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the InvestEU Programme, COM (2018) 439;
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of the Reform Support Programme, COM (2018) 391;
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of a European Investment Stabilisation Function, COM (2018) 387;
- 2. Position of the Economic Affairs Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:

- Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2008/96/EC on road infrastructure safety management, COM (2018) 274;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on streamlining measures for advancing the realisation of the trans-European transport network, **COM (2018) 277**;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council complementing EU type-approval legislation with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union, **COM** (2018) 397;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Connecting Europe Facility and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1316/2013 and (EU) No 283/2014, **COM (2018) 438;**
- Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing the nuclear decommissioning assistance programme of the Ignalina nuclear power plant in Lithuania (Ignalina programme); and repealing Council Regulation (EU) No 1369/2013, COM (2018) 466;
- Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a dedicated financial programme for decommissioning of nuclear facilities and management of radioactive waste, and repealing Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1368/2013, COM (2018) 467;
- Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EU) 2015/1588 of 13 July 2015 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to certain categories of horizontal State aid, **COM (2018) 398;**

3. Position of the Agricultural and Environmental Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, (EU) No 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, (EU) No 251/2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products, (EU) No 228/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union and (EU) No 229/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in favour of the smaller Aegean islands, COM (2018) 394;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (COM (2018) 392;
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013, **COM (2018) 393;**
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council, COM (2018) 390;

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013, **COM (2018) 385;**
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council setting CO2 emission performance standards for new heavy-duty vehicles, COM (2018) 284;
- 4. Position of the Committee on Social Affairs of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF), **COM (2018) 380;**
 - Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council discontinuing seasonal changes of time and repealing Directive 2000/84/EC, COM (2018)639;
- 5. Position of the Education, Youth, Science and Sports Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic toward:
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the space programme of the Union and the European Union Agency for the Space Programme and repealing Regulations (EU) No 912/2010, (EU) No 1285/2013, (EU) No 377/2014 and Decision 541/2014/EU, COM (2018) 447;
 - Proposal for a Council Decision amending Decision 2007/198/Euratom establishing the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy and conferring advantages upon it, COM (2018) 445;
 - Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing the Research and Training Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community for the period 2021-2025 complementing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, COM (2018) 437;
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing Horizon Europe the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination, COM (2018) 435;
 - Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, COM (2018) 436;

C. Authorizes

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 the Slovak Republic and pertinent government members about the adopted resolution.

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