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## **STATE OF PLAY ON REASONED OPINIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS SUBMITTED BY NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS UNDER PROTOCOL 2 OF THE LISBON TREATY**

This note by the Directorate for Relations with National Parliaments provides an update of submissions received by the European Parliament in the context of Protocol 2 during the period 18 October - 11 November 2016

Protocol 2 of the Lisbon Treaty sets out a review mechanism involving national Parliaments regarding proposed legislation which does not fall under the exclusive competence of the European Union. Thus, national Parliaments/Chambers may review within eight weeks of transmission such proposed legislation and issue a "reasoned opinion" if they consider that a draft EU legislative act does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity. Reasoned opinions are translated into all EU official languages (with the exception of Gaelic and Maltese). In the majority of cases, submissions from national Parliaments go beyond the issue of subsidiarity, discussing the substantive merits of proposals. These submissions are called "contributions". Contributions may be translated into one other language on special request by the Committee Chair or the Rapporteur<sup>1</sup>.

Pursuant to Rule 42(3) of the Rules of Procedure, all reasoned opinions are referred to the Committee(s) responsible for the draft legislative act and forwarded for information to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Contributions are referred to the Committee(s) responsible for the draft legislative act (Rule 142(4) of the Rules of Procedure).

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<sup>1</sup> 'Common approach for the treatment at Committee level of national Parliaments reasoned opinions and all other contributions of national Parliaments' adopted by the Conference of Committee Chairs on 14.12.2010.

## I. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS ELICITING NUMEROUS REASONED OPINIONS AND/OR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS (18 OCTOBER - 11 NOVEMBER 2016)<sup>2</sup>

<b>EMPL Committee</b> Rapporteur: MESZERICS Tamás	Procedure: <b>2016/0264(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)551</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected by samples</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Swedish Parliament</p> <p><b>2 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: LINS Norbert	Procedure: <b>2016/0230(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)479</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry into the 2030 climate and energy framework and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change</p> <p><b>4 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: GERBRANDY Gerben-Jan	Procedure: <b>2016/0231(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)482</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on binding annual greenhouse gas emission reductions by Member States from 2021 to 2030 for a resilient Energy Union and to meet commitments under the Paris Agreement and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change</p> <p><b>4 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Polish Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: WIKSTRÖM Cecilia	Procedure: <b>2016/0133(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)270</b>	Deadline: <b>27 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person (recast)</p> <p><b>8 reasoned opinions:</b> Czech Chamber of Deputies, Czech Senate, Hungarian Parliament, Italian Senate, Polish Sejm, Polish Senate, Romanian Chamber of Deputies, Slovak Parliament</p> <p><b>3 contributions:</b> German Bundesrat, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: IN'T VELD Sophia	Procedure: <b>2016/0222(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)465</b>	Deadline: <b>10 November 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection (recast)</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Italian Senate</p> <p><b>4 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber of Deputies, Czech Senate, German Bundesrat, Romanian Chamber of Deputies</p>			

<sup>2</sup> In this section, reference is made to draft legislative acts for which at least *one reasoned opinion* has been transmitted during the current period under examination, or *four contributions* during the current and previous periods under examination.

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: FAJON Tanja	Procedure: <b>2016/0223(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)466</b>	Deadline: <b>28 October 2016</b>
<p>PROPOSAL FOR A REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection and for the content of the protection granted and amending Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 concerning the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents</p> <p><b>7 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber of Deputies, Czech Senate, German Bundesrat, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber of Deputies, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: FERRARA Laura	Procedure: <b>2016/0224(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)467</b>	Deadline: <b>4 November 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common procedure for international protection in the Union and repealing Directive 2013/32/EU</p> <p><b>6 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber of Deputies, Czech Senate, German Bundesrat, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber of Deputies</p>			

<b>LIBE Committee</b> Rapporteur: BJÖRK Malin	Procedure: <b>2016/0225(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)468</b>	Deadline: <b>31 October 2016</b>
<p>Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a Union Resettlement Framework and amending Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council</p> <p><b>6 contributions:</b> Czech Chamber of Deputies, Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber of Deputies, Romanian Senate</p>			

<b>TRAN Committee</b> Rapporteur: DE GRANDES PASCUAL Luis	Procedure: <b>2016/0236(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)491</b>	Deadline: <b>3 November 2016</b>
<p>Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Union certification system for aviation security screening equipment</p> <p><b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> UK House of Commons</p> <p><b>2 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Romanian Senate</p>			

## II. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS SUBJECT TO PROTOCOL 2 ON THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR DEBATE OF THE NOVEMBER PLENARY PART-SESSION (21-24 November 2016)<sup>3</sup>

<b>ECON Committee</b> Rapporteur: HAYES Brian	Procedure: <b>2014/0091(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2014)0167</b>	Deadline: <b>29 May 2014</b>
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the activities and supervision of institutions for occupational retirement provision (recast) (Text with EEA relevance) <b>1 reasoned opinion:</b> Dutch Tweede Kamer <b>6 contributions:</b> Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber of Deputies, Spanish Parliament, UK House of Commons, UK House of Lords			
<b>ECON Committee</b> Rapporteur: MAUREL Emmanuel	Procedure: <b>2016/0209(CNS)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0452</b>	Deadline: <b>13 October 2016</b>
Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 2011/16/EU as regards access to anti-money-laundering information by tax authorities <b>1 contribution:</b> Romanian Chamber of Deputies			
<b>ENVI Committee</b> Rapporteur: GIRLING Julie	Procedure: <b>2013/0443(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2013)0920</b>	Deadline: <b>17 February 2014</b>
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants and amending Directive 2003/35/EC <b>7 contributions:</b> Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Polish Sejm, Polish Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Chamber of Deputies, Spanish Parliament			
<b>INTA Committee</b> Rapporteur: MAUREL Emmanuel	Procedure: <b>2016/0197(COD)</b>	<b>COM(2016)0431</b>	Deadline: <b>26 September 2016</b>
Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL providing further macro-financial assistance to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan <b>1 contribution:</b> Italian Senate			

<sup>3</sup> Information contained in this section is provisional and subject to change following decisions by the Conference of Presidents or the Plenary. Information is presented in alphabetical order on the basis of the acronym of the committees concerned. The number of reasoned opinions and contributions mentioned refers to the total number of these submissions received to-date.

### III. FACTS & FIGURES

#### A. Since the previous State of Play note (17 October 2016)

Since the previous update on the State of Play, the European Parliament has received:

- *7 draft legislative acts* in the context of Protocol 2,
- *7 reasoned opinions* on different draft legislative acts,
- *50 contributions* by national Parliaments on different draft legislative acts.

#### B. For the 8th legislative term (2014-2019)

Since the beginning of the 8th legislative term regarding Protocol 2, the European Parliament has received *139 draft legislative acts*, *75 reasoned opinions* and *497 contributions*.

<b>Nr of proposals and NPs' submissions according to the Committee - from 8th legislature</b>				
<b>EP Committee responsible</b>	<b>Proposals</b>	<b>Reasoned opinions</b>	<b>Contributions</b>	<b>Submissions (= reasoned opinions and contributions together)</b>
<b>AFET</b>	1	0	3	3
<b>AGRI</b>	5	0	11	11
<b>BUDG</b>	2	0	0	0
<b>CONT</b>	2	0	5	5
<b>CULT</b>	4	0	8	8
<b>DEVE</b>	1	0	0	0
<b>ECON</b>	23	4	61	65
<b>EMPL</b>	7	16	34	50
<b>ENVI</b>	15	11	83	94
<b>IMCO</b>	12	11	52	63
<b>INTA</b>	3	0	4	4
<b>ITRE</b>	11	6	28	34
<b>JURI</b>	10	4	28	32
<b>LIBE</b>	29	20	138	158
<b>PECH</b>	0	0	2	2
<b>REGI</b>	5	0	5	5
<b>TRAN</b>	9	3	35	38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>572</b>

**C. Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty (1 December 2009)**

Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty a total of **611 draft legislative acts** have been **sent to national Parliaments** for examination under the terms of Protocol No 2 of the Treaty of Lisbon. 607 of those draft legislative acts are Commission proposals, while the remaining 4 are Council initiatives.

In response, the European Parliament has received a total of **2306 submissions** from national Parliaments. Of these, **362 reasoned opinions** while the remaining **1944 are contributions**.

