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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 9 April - 9 September 2014.

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 Rapporteur¹.

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).

The Directorate for Relations with National Parliaments advises the political bodies, Members and the secretariat of the EP in their institutional cooperation and legislative dialogue with the national Parliaments. Within this Directorate, the Legislative Dialogue Unit provides Members of the European Parliament, in particular Rapporteurs, with specific expertise on national Parliaments submissions throughout the legislative cycle.

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¹ '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 (9 April 2014 - 9 September 2014)²

AGRI Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0033(COD)	COM(2014)004	Deadline: 9 April 2014
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directives 89/608/EEC, 90/425/EEC and 91/496/EEC as regards references to zootechnical legislation 1 reasoned opinion: Italian Senate 1 contribution: Spanish <i>Cortes</i>			
AGRI Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0032(COD)	COM(2014)005	Deadline: 9 April 2014
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the zootechnical and genealogical conditions for trade in and imports into the Union of breeding animals and their germinal products 1 reasoned opinion: Italian Senate			
ECON Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0020(COD)	COM(2014)043	Deadline: 16 April 2014
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on structural measures improving the resilience of EU credit institutions 1 reasoned opinion: French Senate 3 contributions: Portuguese Parliament, Czech Chamber, Czech Senate			
ECON Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0091(COD)	COM(2014)167	Deadline: 29 May 2014
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the activities and supervision of institutions for occupational retirement provision (recast) 1 reasoned opinion: Dutch <i>Tweede Kamer</i> 5 contributions: Spanish <i>Cortes</i> , Portuguese Parliament, Italian Senate, United Kingdom House-of-Commons, United Kingdom House-of-Lords			
EMPL Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0124(COD)	COM(2014)221	Deadline: 9 June 2014
Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on establishing a European Platform to enhance cooperation in the prevention and deterrence of undeclared work 1 reasoned opinion: United Kingdom House-of-Commons 4 contributions: Portuguese Parliament, Italian Senate, Spanish <i>Cortes</i> , Austrian <i>Bundesrat</i>			
ENVI Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0100(COD)	COM(2014)180	Deadline: 20 May 2014
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on organic production and labelling of organic products, amending Regulation (EU) No XXX/XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council [Official controls Regulation] and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 2 reasoned opinions: Austrian <i>Bundesrat</i> , Luxembourg Parliament 5 contributions: Portuguese Parliament, Spanish <i>Cortes</i> , Italian Senate, Dutch <i>Tweede Kamer</i> , Czech Senate			
IMCO Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2013/0432 (COD)	COM(2013)884	Deadline: 31 July 2014
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the Union legal framework for customs infringements and sanctions 2 reasoned opinion: Swedish Parliament, Lithuanian Parliament 3 contributions: Czech Senate, Maltese Parliament, Portuguese Parliament			
JURI Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0120(COD)	COM(2014)212	Deadline: 10 June 2014
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on single-member private limited liability companies 2 reasoned opinion: Austrian <i>Nationalrat</i> , Austrian <i>Bundesrat</i> 3 contributions: Portuguese Parliament, Spanish <i>Cortes</i> , Czech Senate			
LIBE Committee Rapporteur: To be appointed	Procedure: 2014/0095(COD)	COM(2014)163	Deadline: 28 May 2014
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a touring visa and amending the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement and Regulations (EC) No 562/2006 and (EC) No 767/2008 1 reasoned opinion: Polish Senate 4 contributions: Spanish <i>Cortes</i> , Portuguese Parliament, Latvian Parliament, Italian Senate			

² In this section reference is made to draft legislative acts for which at least one reasoned opinion or four contributions have been presented during the period under examination.

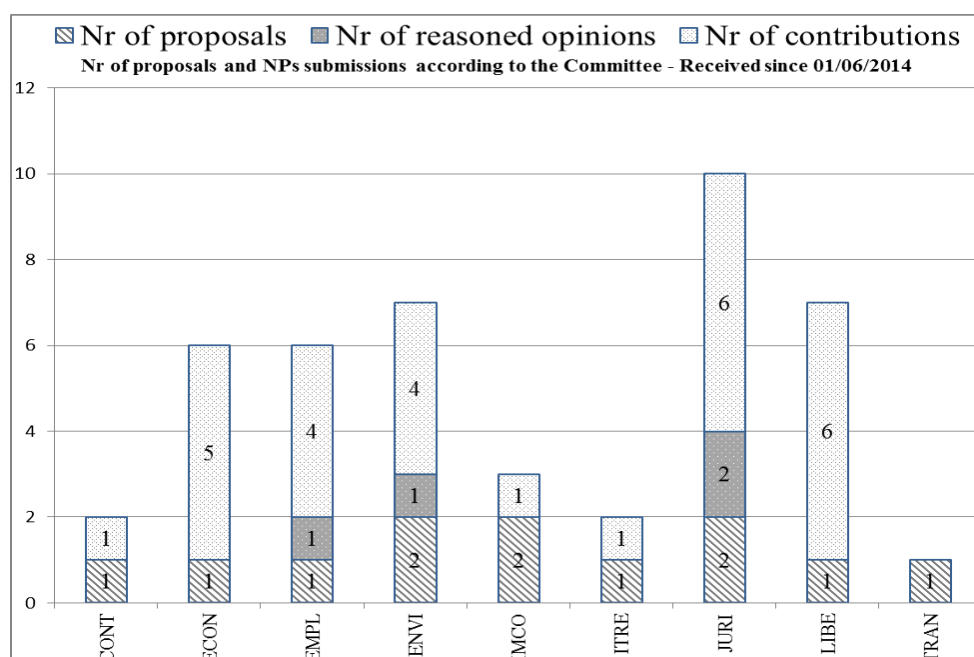
FACTS & FIGURES

I. Since the previous State of Play note (8/4/2014)

Since the previous update on the State of Play regarding Protocol 2, the European Parliament has received **12 reasoned opinions**, **72 contributions** on a total of **41 different legislative proposals**.

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

Since the beginning of the 8th legislative term regarding Protocol 2, the European Parliament has received **14 draft legislative acts**, **6 reasoned opinions** and **40 contributions**.



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

Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty a total of **486 draft legislative acts** have been **sent to national Parliaments** for examination under the terms of Protocol No 2 of the Treaty of Lisbon. 482 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 **1807 submissions** from national Parliaments. Of these, **294 are reasoned opinions** while the remaining **1513 are contributions**.

