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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 08 October 2020 - 06 November 2020.

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(4) 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.

**All national Parliament documents officially received by the EP are
available in the "Connect" database on the EP internet:
<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/relnatparl/en/connect.html>**

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 (08 OCTOBER 2020 - 06 NOVEMBER 2020)²

N/A

II. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS SUBJECT TO PROTOCOL 2 ON THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR DEBATE OF THE NOVEMBER II PLENARY PART-SESSION (23 - 26 NOVEMBER 2020)³

JURI Committee Rapporteur: DIDIER Geoffroy	Procedure: 2018/0089(COD)	COM(2018)0184	Deadline: 10/07/2018
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on representative actions for the protection of the collective interests of consumers, and repealing Directive 2009/22/EC			
2 reasoned opinion: Austrian Federal Council, Swedish Parliament			
4 contributions: Czech Chamber of Deputies, Czech Senate, German Bundesrat, Portuguese Parliament			

III. FACTS & FIGURES

A. Since the previous State of Play note (of 12 October 2020)

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

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

B. For the 9th legislative term (2019-2024)

Since the beginning of the 9th legislative term regarding Protocol 2, the European Parliament has received **89 draft legislative acts**, **5 reasoned opinions** and **101 contributions**.

² In this section, reference is made to draft legislative acts for which at least *one reasoned opinion* has been transmitted or at least *four contributions* during the current and previous period under examination. Submissions received during the current period are marked with *.

³ 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.

Nr of proposals and NPs' submissions according to the Committee - from 9th legislature				
EP Committee responsible	Proposals	Reasoned opinions	Contributions	Submissions (= reasoned opinions and contributions together)
AFCO	0	0	0	0
AFET	0	0	0	0
AFET/DEVE	0	0	0	0
AGRI	5	0	12	12
BUDG	5	1	9	10
BUDG/ECON	0	0	0	0
CONT	0	0	0	0
CULT	1	0	1	1
DEVE	2	0	5	5
ECON	18	0	17	17
EMPL	7	0	4	4
ENVI	9	3	15	18
IMCO	1	0	0	0
INTA	2	0	2	2
ITRE	3	0	6	6
JURI	2	0	1	1
LIBE	8	0	9	9
PECH	1	0	0	0
REGI	14	1	18	19
TRAN	11	0	2	2
TOTAL	89	5	101	106

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

Since the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty a total of **964 draft legislative acts** have been sent to national Parliaments for examination under the terms of Protocol No 2 of the Treaty of Lisbon.

In response, the European Parliament has received a total of **3432 submissions** from national Parliaments. Of these, **479 are reasoned opinions** while the remaining **2953 are contributions**.

Reasoned opinions and contributions from national Parliaments on EU legislation are available via the following QR-code or at <http://www.connefop.europarl.europa.eu/connefop/app/?protocol=2>

