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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 7 June 2017 - 27 June 2017.

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 (7 JUNE 2017 - 27 JUNE 2017)²

EMPL Committee Rapporteur:	Procedure: 2017/0085(COD)	COM(2017)0253	Deadline: 28 June 2017
Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on work-life balance for parents and carers and repealing Council Directive 2010/18/EU 2 reasoned opinions: Polish Senate, Polish Sejm			

LIBE Committee Rapporteur: LENAERS Jeroen	Procedure: 2016/0407(COD)	COM(2016)0881	Deadline: 30 May 2017
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the use of the Schengen Information System for the return of illegally staying third-country nationals 4 contributions: Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			

LIBE Committee Rapporteur: COELHO Carlos	Procedure: 2016/0408(COD)	COM(2016)0882	Deadline: 30 May 2017
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of border checks, amending Regulation (EU) No 515/2014 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1987/2006 4 contributions: Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			

LIBE Committee Rapporteur: COELHO Carlos	Procedure: 2016/0409(COD)	COM(2016)0883	Deadline: 30 May 2017
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, amending Regulation (EU) No 515/2014 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1986/2006, Council Decision 2007/533/JHA and Commission Decision 2010/261/EU 4 contributions: Czech Senate, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			

II. DRAFT LEGISLATIVE ACTS SUBJECT TO PROTOCOL 2 ON THE DRAFT AGENDA FOR DEBATE OF THE APRIL PLENARY PART-SESSION (3-6 July 2017)³

CONT and LIBE Committees Rapporteur: GRÄSSLE Ingeborg LÓPEZ AGUILAR Juan Fernando	Procedure: 2012/0193(COD)	COM(2012)0363	Deadline: 18 October 2012
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law 6 contributions: Czech Senate, Hellenic Parliament, Italian Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Swedish Parliament, United Kingdom House of Lords			

² 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.

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.

ECON Committee Rapporteur: THEURER Michael	Procedure: 2016/0338(CNS)	COM(2016)0686	Deadline: 3 January 2017
Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE on Double Taxation Dispute Resolution Mechanisms in the European Union 1 reasoned opinion: Swedish Parliament 3 contributions: Czech Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Spanish Parliament			
ECON and JURI Committees Rapporteurs: BAYET Hugues REGNER Evelyn	Procedure: 2016/0107(COD)	COM(2016)0198	Deadline: 15 June 2016
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2013/34/EU as regards disclosure of income tax information by certain undertakings and branches 2 reasoned opinions: Irish Parliament, Swedish Parliament 4 contributions: German Bundesrat, Italian Senate, Romanian Chamber, Portuguese Parliament			
INTA Committee Rapporteur: MOISĂ Sorin	Procedure: 2017/0007(COD)	COM(2017)0014	Deadline: 13 March 2017
Proposal for a DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL providing macro-financial assistance to the Republic of Moldova 1 contribution: Romanian Senate			
JURI Committee Rapporteur: ANDERSSON Max	Procedure: 2016/0279(COD)	COM(2016)0595	Deadline: 30 November 2016
Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the cross-border exchange between the Union and third countries of accessible format copies of certain works and other subject-matter protected by copyright and related rights for the benefit of persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print disabled 2 contributions: Czech Senate, French Senate			
JURI Committee Rapporteur: ANDERSSON Max	Procedure: 2016/0278(COD)	COM(2016)0596	Deadline: 30 November 2016
Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on certain permitted uses of works and other subject-matter protected by copyright and related rights for the benefit of persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print disabled and amending Directive 2001/29/EC on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society 4 contributions: Czech Senate, French Senate, Portuguese Parliament, Romanian Senate			

III. FACTS & FIGURES

A. Since the previous State of Play note (6 June 2017)

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

- **12 draft legislative acts** in the context of Protocol 2,
- **2 reasoned opinions** on different draft legislative acts,
- **8 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 **209 draft legislative acts**, **133 reasoned opinions** and **767 contributions**.

Nr of proposals and NPs' submissions according to the Committee - from 8th legislature

EP Committee responsible	Proposals	Reasoned opinions	Contributions	Submissions (= reasoned opinions and contributions together)
AFET	1	0	3	3
AGRI	7	0	15	15
BUDG	2	0	1	1
CONT	2	0	5	5
CULT	5	0	11	11
DEVE	1	0	2	2
ECON	37	20	126	146
EMPL	10	19	48	67
ENVI	22	12	99	111
IMCO	18	24	71	95
INTA	4	0	5	5
ITRE	22	28	96	124
JURI	13	6	59	65
LIBE	38	21	175	196
PECH	0	0	2	2
REGI	8	0	9	9
TRAN	19	3	40	43
TOTAL	209	133	767	900

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 **682 draft legislative acts** have been **sent to national Parliaments** for examination under the terms of Protocol No 2 of the Treaty of Lisbon. 675 of those draft legislative acts are Commission proposals, while the remaining 7 are Council initiatives.

In response, the European Parliament has received a total of **2634 submissions** from national Parliaments. Of these, **420 reasoned opinions** while the remaining **2214 are contributions**.



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