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Subject: Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the Protection of Persons Reporting on Breaches of Union Law


Dear Mr Svoboda,

Following informal contacts between the representatives of the three institutions, a draft overall compromise text was agreed on 15 March 2019 by the Permanent Representatives Committee.

I am therefore now in a position to confirm that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading, in accordance with Article 294 paragraph 3 of the Treaty, in the form set out in the compromise package contained in the Annex to this letter (subject to revision by the legal linguists of both institutions), the Council would, in accordance with Article 294, paragraph 4 of the Treaty, approve the European Parliament's position and the act shall be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the European Parliament's position.

On behalf of the Council, I also wish to thank you for your close cooperation, which should enable us to reach agreement on this dossier at first reading.

Yours sincerely,



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Chair of the Permanent Representatives Committee
(Part 2)

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