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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2002/187/JHA (**first reading**)

- Adoption of the legislative act
- Statement

Commission statement

The Commission regrets that on several points, the co-legislators have decided to deviate from the approach agreed in the Joint Statement of the European Parliament, the Council of the EU and the European Commission on decentralised agencies of 19 July 2012, without providing the necessary justification. This relates in particular to the number of Commission representatives in the College/Management Board and the procedure for appointing and dismissing the Administrative Director of Eurojust. The Commission will assess the impact of those deviations on the functioning of the Agency at the appropriate opportunity. They should not be considered as a precedent for other agencies.