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Delegations will find attached the Czech Presidency Flash note on the ESA 210 Amending regulation in view of the upcoming Working Party on Statistics scheduled on 15 July 2022.

Presidency Flash

Prague, 7 July 2022

Meeting of the Council Working Party on Statistics, 15 July 2022, Brussels

Dear colleagues,

On 1 July 2022, the Czech Republic took over the Presidency of the Council Working Party on Statistics (CWPS). We would like to thank the French Presidency for their excellent work over the past six months. Our goal is to follow up their work and make a progress in the ongoing discussions and legislative procedures.

More specifically, we intend to start trilogue negotiations on the revision of the ESA 2010 Regulation. Subject to the timing of the adoption of new legislative proposals by the European Commission (ESOP, EEEA amendment), we endeavour to swiftly start the examination of these proposals by the CWPS and making as much progress as possible on establishing the Council's negotiating mandate.

We are pleased to invite you to the first meeting of the CWPS under the Czech Presidency which will take place on Friday 15 July in Brussels (Justus Lipsius Building, JL - 35.8). The meeting will start at 10:00. It will be chaired by the President of the Czech Statistical Office, Mr Marek Rojíček.

In the first part of the meeting we will present the priorities and aims of the Czech Presidency. We will also briefly introduce the Czech Statistical Office, the Presidency team and outline practical information regarding the organisation of the CWPS meetings in the coming months.

The second part of the meeting will be dedicated to an overview of the current state-of-play regarding the revision of the ESA 2010 Regulation. The Council mandate for the trilogue negotiations was concluded by the French Presidency at their last meeting of CWPS on 15 June 2022 and it was approved by COREPER on 29 June 2022. The Chair will introduce to delegations the negotiating mandate voted by the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs on 30 June and subsequently endorsed by Parliament's plenary in its July session. Delegations will be invited to share their views on Parliament's mandate and provide orientations to the Presidency on the way forward regarding the inter-institutional negotiations. We count on all delegations to engage in an open and constructive exchange in order to work out pragmatic proposals that can lead to reaching swift and acceptable compromises with Parliament's negotiators. We will take all your concerns seriously and do our utmost to come up with solutions, which will allow us to accomplish our goals.

We look forward to fruitful cooperation during the following six months and to meeting you personally in Brussels in a few days.

The Czech Presidency Team in statistics