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| From: | Legal Service |
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| Subject: | European Parliament's Proposal for a Council decision adopting the provisions amending the Act concerning the election of the members of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage - legal assessment |

Document ST 7038/16 INIT should read as follow:

- In page 3, paragraph 7, line 3; page 8, paragraph 17, line 3; page 8, paragraph 18, line 6; and in page 20, paragraph 49, line 1:
the word "indent" is replaced by the word "subparagraph".

- In page 3, paragraph 7, line 6:
the expression " the first indent of Article 223 " is replaced by "the first subparagraph of Article 223(1)".

- In page 4, paragraph 8, line 4:
the expression "second indent Article 223(1)" is replaced by "second subparagraph of Article 223(1)".

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- In page 6, paragraph 12, line 3:
"Article 4(2)" is replaced by "Article 4, second paragraph".
- In page 7, point 15, first line:
"proposal for a draft Council Decision" should read "proposal for a Council Decision"
- In page 9 point 21, line 4:
" that considerably affects" should read and "that *it* considerably affects".
- In page 10, paragraph 22, line 3:
the expression "Article 6 adds to the first indent of that Article a reference" is replaced by "Article 6(1) adds a reference".
- In page 10, footnote 11, line 1:
the expression "the second indent of Article 6" is replaced by "Article 6(2)".
- In page 11 point 28, line 6:
"Article 2(a)" should read "Article 2a".
- In page 18, point 45 last sentence:
"admissibility" should read "non-admissibility of the list"
- In page 19, footnote 23:
"Venice Convention" should read "Venice Commission".
- In page 21 , paragraph 53, line 3:
the word "paragraph" is replaced by the word "subparagraph".
- In page 27, title:
"draft elections" should read "date of the elections".
- In page 30, footnote 40:
"ECLI:EU:C:2008:551" should read " ECLI:EU:C:2007:551".
