

DG GROW
Meeting between HoC Valère Moutarlier and Romanian Permanent Representative, Ms Luminita ODOBESCU
Brussels, 31 January 2020

BRIEFING NOTE *(Commission Internal)*

Context of the meeting

You will meet the Romanian Permanent Representative, Ms Luminita Odobescu, for a courtesy visit and with the aim of preparing the upcoming meeting of Commissioner Thierry Breton with the Romanian Minister of Economy, Energy and Business Environment, Virgil Popescu.

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1. Upcoming initiatives

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ePrivacy : The Finnish Presidency aimed for a General Approach in the Telecom Council of 3 December. However, due to the lack of support in COREPER, a (fifth) progress report was adopted by the Council. The Croatian Presidency is bilaterally consulting Member States and foresees a Working Party on this file on 30 January. A first compromise text proposal will become available mid-February for discussion on 20 February.

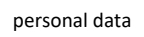
At the beginning of its Presidency, Romania aimed at a General Approach, however after very intensive work, Romania decided to go for a progress report instead. In Coreper in December 2019, Romania did not support a General Approach since, in its view, the Council text was not ready for a General Approach and called for further work, without specific examples on where such work is needed.

- The Regulation is urgently needed, since it will modernise the current Directive and provide privacy protection to all electronic communications of individuals.
- We encourage Romania to be more active and work constructively with the Croatian Presidency on a balanced text. This will allow the Croatian Presidency to address the remaining concerns and to move forward to trilogues soon.
- The Commission will continue discussions with Member States on this important file and work closely with the Croatian Presidency so that the Presidency can soon present a revised text.

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| U.S. should take action | 85% |
| U.S. should not take action | 15% |

Government	Percentage
Current government	85%
Previous government	15%

