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On 16 December 2015, the Permanent Representatives Committee confirmed the final compromise text as it had been provisionally agreed during the 9th trilogue between the Presidency and representatives of the European Parliament. The text as confirmed is set out in the annex to document 15272/15.

During the meeting of the Committee, PL lifted its substantial reservation on the text. Subsequently to the meeting, RO lifted its substantial reservation, and the Netherlands lifted their Parliamentary reservation as well. Hence, there are no more outstanding reservations in respect of the text. Moreover, no declarations have been presented.

The text is currently being examined by legal-linguists. Subsequently to this examination and the vote in the European Parliament, the Committee will again be invited for confirmation so as to allow the Council and the European Parliament to formally adopt the Directive.