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Subject: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the citizens' initiative (**first reading**)
– Adoption of the legislative act (**LA + S**)
= Statements

Commission statements

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The Commission will provide accurate information on the citizens' initiative. In particular, it will draft and keep up-to-date a comprehensive and user-friendly guide on the citizens' initiative, in every official language of the Union, which will be accessible on the Commission's website dedicated to the citizens' initiative. Moreover, during the process of registering and processing proposals for citizens' initiatives, the Commission will provide support and guidance to the organisers, where needed. In addition, the Commission will, upon request, inform the organisers of current or intended legislative proposals on matters raised by the initiative.

After the registration of a proposed initiative in one official language, the organisers can request the Commission, at any time during the collection of statements of support, to include in the register translations of the proposed initiative in any other official languages. The translations will be the responsibility of the organisers; before accepting the inclusion of new language versions in the register, the Commission will check that there are no manifest and significant inconsistencies between the original text and the new linguistic versions of the title, the subject-matter and the objectives.

Statement by the Belgian Presidency of the Council

The Presidency will endeavour to ensure that the measures needed for the application of the present regulation are in place as soon as possible and at the latest one year after its entry into force as foreseen in the regulation.
