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to : Council  
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Subject : Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the selection and authorisation of systems providing mobile satellite services (MSS)  
- Information from the Presidency

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1. The Commission transmitted on 23 August 2007 to the Council its proposal in subject, which lays down Community procedures for the common selection at Community level of mobile satellite system operators as well as provisions for the coordinated authorisation by national authorities of the selected operators to use radio spectrum for the operation of such systems in the Community.
2. The proposal has been examined in the Council during the Portuguese and Slovenian Presidencies both at the Working Party level as well as in Coreper. Negotiations with the European Parliament were led by the Slovenian Presidency and on 18 April 2008, Coreper was in a position to agree on a compromise sending a letter to the Parliament confirming a first reading agreement, pending the vote in Parliament and in the Council.

3. On May 21 2008, the European Parliament adopted one amendment to the Commission's proposal. This amendment reflected the result of the negotiations and the compromise agreed in principle hereby confirming the first reading agreement.
  4. The legislative text is being prepared by the Council and Parliament legal/linguists in view of adopting the Decision at the earliest possible Council.
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