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Delegations will find attached the Presidency Flash note, in view of the Working Party on Statistics on 15 February 2023.

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Presidency Flash

Meeting of the Council Working Party on Statistics, 15 February 2023

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to the first in-person meeting of the Council Working Party on Statistics under the Swedish presidency, which will take place on Wednesday 15 February in Brussels (Justus Lipsius Building). The meeting will start at 10:00 and it will be chaired by the Director General of Statistics Sweden, Mr Joakim Stymne.

The first part of the meeting will focus on the **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on European statistics on population and housing, amending Regulation (EC) No 862/2007 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 763/2008 and (EU) No 1260/2013 (2023/0008 (COD))**. The meeting will begin with a presentation from the European Commission on the findings of the impact assessment and the main aspects of the proposal. Delegates have received the proposal in advance and a written consultation is underway until 23 February 2023. Delegates are therefore not required to have detailed opinions or official comments as yet. However, the Presidency intends to hold a first exchange of views on the main issues identified during the initial review of the proposal and initial reflections, as well as to provide the opportunity to ask clarifying questions to the Commission.

The second part of the meeting, after lunch, will be dedicated to an exchange of views on the **European Court of Auditors Special report European statistics - Potential to further improve quality (2022/26)**. A representative from the European Court of Auditors will present the findings of the report at the meeting. A formal examination of this report will be carried out by the Sub-committee on Statistics of the European and Financial Committee (SCS). Delegates' views on the report will be



gathered during this meeting and reported to the SCS by the Swedish delegate on behalf of the Presidency.

We will finally provide some updates on the progress being made on other files of interest.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or comments. We look forward seeing you in Brussels.

The Swedish Presidency Team in Statistics