



**PARLIAMENT
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**
Chamber of Deputies
Ondřej Benešík
Chairman
Committee on European Affairs

Prague, 9th September 2022

Dear Ms. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee on European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council - Towards a Directive on criminal penalties for the violation of Union restrictive measures /Council Code 9671/22, COM(2022) 249/;

on the Proposal for a Council Decision on adding the violation of Union restrictive measures to the areas of crime laid down in Article 83(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union /Council Code 9641/22, COM(2022) 247/;

on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on asset recovery and confiscation /Council Code 9598/22, COM(2022) 245/.

The respective document was included in the agenda of the 13th session of the Committee on European Affairs and was scrutinized on 31st August 2022. According to the Rules of Procedure the Deputy Minister of Interior was present at the session to introduce the preliminary Government's Framework Position.

After the hearing of the rapporteur's review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the **Resolution No. 81 in the context of the Political Dialogue** which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

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President of the European Commission
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Resolution No. 81

13th Session on 31 August 2022

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Conclusions of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs

1. **takes note of** the Communication Towards a Directive on criminal penalties for the violation of Union restrictive measures, Proposal for a Council Decision on adding the violation of Union restrictive measures to the areas of crime laid down in Article 83(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and the Proposal for a Directive on asset recovery and confiscation;
2. **agrees** to include the violations of restricted measures in the list of EU criminal offenses in Article 83 (1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU;
3. **supports** the Government's Framework Position on the Proposal for a Directive on asset recovery and confiscation; especially in its reserved attitude towards the disproportionate expansion of confiscation options in criminal proceeding;
4. **authorizes** its Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs to forward this resolution to the President of the European Commission **in the framework of the political dialogue.**