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Dear Mr Petersen

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Kind regards,

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Subject: Reply to the Letter from the NL Eerste Kamer on COM(2025)820_821_822_823 final

Dear Chair,

The Commission services would like to thank the Eerste Kamer for its third opinion regarding the Defence Readiness Omnibus {COM(2025) 820 final, COM(2025) 821 final, COM(2025) 822 final, and COM(2025) 823 final}, a broad package of ambitious measures designed to promote a defence-readiness mindset across the European Union.

The points raised in response to the second opinion received from the Eerste Kamer are based on the initial proposal presented by the Commission. This was accompanied by a publicly available Staff Working Document[1], setting out an overview of the anticipated impact of the original Commission proposal. It also addresses the third set of questions on the proposal sent by the Eerste Kamer.

The Commission welcomes the provisional political agreement reached by the co-legislators, the European Parliament and the Council, on 10 June 2026. The defence readiness simplification Omnibus is expected to enter into force in October 2026, once the formal adoption process by the co-legislators is completed.

[1] EUR-Lex - 52025SC0820 - EN - EUR-Lex

I would like to thank the Eerste Kamer for its active scrutiny and look forward to continuing the political dialogue in the future.

Yours sincerely,

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