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Onderwerp: REACH comitology process – follow up to political dialogue

Dear Ms. Roswall, dear Mr. Šefčovič,

On behalf of the EU rapporteurs for the Netherlands' House of Representatives on the revision of the REACH regulation, MPs Zalinyan and Kostić, I am approaching you regarding the following, as a follow-up to the political dialogue they had with you last year (their letter dated 18 June 2025 and your reply dated 13 November 2025).

The revision of REACH was announced in 2020 and was supposed to be presented in Q1 2026.
The rapporteurs have taken due note of the fact that the Commission has decided to adopt a different working method and is moving towards a comitology approach, in which a number of provisions within the annexes of REACH will be assessed and possibly modified.

This implies that, for national parliaments, it will de facto be hard to be informed timely about the changes to be discussed within this comitology process, making it even harder to influence the process in any way.
The rapporteurs regret that decisions will now be made without a transparent political decision-making process.

On behalf of the standing committee for Infrastructure and Water Management within the Netherlands' House of Representatives, I would therefore like to emphasize the importance of more information from the Commission about the process.

The committee consequently calls upon you to come up with a communication (or any other form of statement) to provide information to the Member States and the national parliaments about:

- the objectives of the REACH comitology process, including the criteria for the outcome to be a success;
- the provisions the Commission is likely to review;
- the committee(s) in which this will take place;
- the timetable envisaged by the Commission.

The committee would very much appreciate if you would consider drafting such a communication or statement, to keep member states, (national) parliaments and other stakeholders involved.

Yours sincerely,

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