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In its communication on the Council’s common position, the Commission indicates that it is in a position to support the text arising from the compromise with the European Parliament in that it meets the aims of the Commission's initial proposal. The Commission, however, asked that the following declaration should be included in the minutes of the common position in regard to the setting of selection criteria for the appointment of members of the Governing Body of the EIT:

‘The Commission will inform the Council and the EP about the nomination of the members of the Identification Committee and its mandate.

The Commission will inform the Council and the EP about the selection criteria that the Identification Committee will use for the selection of the first members of the Board, following an open consultation process.

The Commission will without any delay inform the EP and the Council about the outcome of the selection process carried out by the Identification Committee for appointing the first members of the Governing Board and by the Governing Board for appointing subsequent members.

The Commission will grant the EP and the Council a period of one month to take cognisance of the outcome of the selection process. Following this, the Commission will then appoint the members of the Governing Board.

The Commission will inform the Council and the EP about the Chairperson elected by the Governing Board. An exchange of views with the Chairperson may take place following his/her election before he /she takes office.’