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The Committee on Legal Affairs adopted the report by Zbigniew ZIOBRO (ECR, PL) in which it recommends the European Parliament to give its consent to the draft Council regulation on the electronic publication of the Official Journal of the European Union.

The proposal aims to enhance the legal certainty by broadening access to EU law and enabling everyone to rely on the electronic edition of the Official Journal of the European Union (OJ) as the official, authentic, up-to-date and complete version. The proposal therefore provides that electronic publication will equate to valid publication of the OJ. However, in exceptional and temporary cases of unforeseen disruption of the electronic publication only, the printed edition would have legal value.

The Council is reminded that that, should the requirement for unanimity under Article 352 TFEU and the pending domestic parliamentary procedures in the United Kingdom lead to any change in the draft text, the consent of the Parliament would have to be requested anew.