EP Rules of Procedure, Rules 5(5) and 210a: consultation of confidential information; interpretation

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The European Parliament decided to append the following interpretation to **Rule 5(5)** of the Rules of Procedure:

- ‘Access to confidential information is subject to the rules laid down in interinstitutional agreements concluded by Parliament relating to the treatment of confidential information1a and to the internal rules for their implementation adopted by Parliament's competent bodies’.

It concerns:

- the Framework Agreement of 20 October 2010 on relations between the European Parliament and the European Commission;
- the Interinstitutional Agreement of 12 March 2014 between the European Parliament and the Council concerning the forwarding to and handling by the European Parliament of classified information held by the Council on matters other than those in the area of foreign and security policy;
- the decision of the Bureau of the European Parliament of 15 April 2013 on the rules governing the treatment of confidential information by the European Parliament.

Parliament also decided to append the following interpretation to **Rule 210a** of the Rules of Procedure:

- ‘This Rule applies to the extent that the applicable legal framework relating to the treatment of confidential information provides for the possibility of consulting the confidential information at a meeting in camera outside the secure facilities.’