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The Council reached a preliminary agreement concerning the objectives and, in principle, the substance of the Draft Framework Decision on the protection of the environment through criminal law and instructed the Council's relevant working groups to consider whether it would be necessary to complement the Framework Decision in the light of the Commission proposal on a draft directive on the protection of the environment through criminal law. The Council agreed in due course to reconsult the European Parliament on the basis of the agreement reached by the Council. The Council noted requests from Ministers that discussions in the Council on the appropriate choice of legal base (3rd or a combined 1st and 3rd Pillar instrument) to reach the objectives on this issue had not been finalised.