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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Séjourné
on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission has reviewed all pending proposals with the European Parliament and the Council, particularly those that have been blocked for a long time or that lack realistic prospects for progress and where an agreement is unlikely. Based on this review, it has identified 37 proposals that it intends to withdraw – including the proposal for a Regulation on standard-essential patents¹.

In line with the interinstitutional agreement on better law making, the Commission will take due account of the positions of the Parliament and the Council before deciding on the withdrawal of the proposal.

The Commission and its services took good note of discussions at the Competitiveness Council on 22 May 2025 in which the Czech, French, German, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Romanian, Slovak and Spanish delegations communicated that they do not agree with the proposed withdrawal of the ‘standard essential patents’ file. The Commission looks forward to receiving the formal position of the Council in due course.

The Commission remains open to exploring, together with the co-legislators and stakeholders, the most suitable way to ensure that Europe stays at the forefront of technological innovation and industrial competitiveness.

¹ See Annex IV to the Commission work programme 2025 –
https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/7617998c-86e6-4a74-b33c-249e8a7938cd_en?filename=COM_2025_45_1_annexes_EN.pdf.