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Subject: Meeting of the Working Group on Human Rights (COHOM)

Date: 3 September 2013 (14:30) and 4 September 2013 (09:00)

Venue: COUNCIL

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The Chair, under the authority of the High Representative, proposes the following draft agenda:

Tuesday 3 September

- 1. EU priorities for UNGA 68: exchange with the Chair of CONUN
- 2. UN Human Rights Council:
 - a. 24rd regular session
 - b. Israel and Human Rights Council

Wednesday 4 September

- 3. EU China Human Rights Dialogue
- 4. UNGA 68, Third Committee

- 5. UN Treaty body strengthening process
- 6. Best practices regarding burden sharing
- 7. Human rights dialogues
- 8. 58th session of the UN Commission on Status of Women
- 9. AOB
 - Private military and security companies
 - Draft EU Guidelines on Freedom of Expression online and offline
 - Declaration of Commitment to End Sexual Violence in Conflict
 - UK: national action plan on Business and Human Rights
 - EU campaign to prevent early and forced marriages: update on state of play
 - Request of UN Secretary-General to report on the progress in mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes, with a particular focus on the priority theme of the next CSW session

NB: On Tuesday, 3 September 2013, from 14:30 to 15:30, in the margins of the meeting, COHOM will have an informal exchange with Ms. Nicole Ameline, Chair of CEDAW Committee, on the integration of gender dimension in the post-2015 development agenda, the role of women in transitions countries (e.g. Afghanistan, Egypt, Libya, Mali, Tunisia) as well as the impact of the social and economic crisis on women.

NB: On Wednesday, 4 September 2013, from 13:00 to 13:30, the UK Delegation will present the launch of a *Declaration of Commitment To End Sexual Violence in Conflict* (linked to the UNGA Side Event on Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict initiative on 24 September)

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- NB: To reduce costs, only documents produced in the week preceding the meeting will be available in the meeting room.
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