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Subject: 2398th MEETING OF THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES  
COMMITTEE (Part 1)  
Date: Wednesday 29 February 2012 (**9:30**)  
Venue: COUNCIL  
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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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**I <sup>(1)</sup>**

- Replies to written questions put to the Council by Members of the European Parliament (+)
  - (a) n° E-012490/2011 put by Sophia in 't Veld, Baroness Sarah Ludford and Marietje Schaake  
"Impact of the US National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) on the EU legal order"  
5953/12 PE-QE 48
  - (b) n° E-012598/2011 put by Adrian Severin  
"PCE/PEC - EU's failure to sign the Association Agreement with Ukraine"  
6024/12 PE-QE 50
  - (c) n° E-000054/2012 put by Rodi Kratsa-Tsagaropoulou  
"Balanced development and coordination of country policies in the euro area and out of it"  
6186/12 PE-QE 58

- (d) n° P-000174/2012 put by Silvia-Adriana Țicău  
"Danish EU Presidency- Lifting labour market barriers to Bulgarians and Romanians"  
6171/12 PE-QE 56
- (e) n° E-000339/2012 put by Vilija Blinkevičiūtė  
"Prospects for the directive on maternity leave"  
6178/12 PE-QE 57

- Commission delegated Regulation (EU) N° .../... of 16.1.2012 supplementing Directive 2010/31/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the energy performance of buildings (recast) by establishing a comparative methodology framework for calculating cost-optimum levels of minimum energy performance for buildings and building elements
  - = Decision not to oppose a delegated act
  - 5441/12 ENER 14 ENV 22 DELACT 1
  - 5931/12 ENER 34 ENV 59 DELACT 4
  
- Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on public procurement
  - = Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions (°)
  - 18966/11 MAP 10 MI 686
  - 6748/12 MAP 16 MI 17 CODEC 439
  
- Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on procurement by entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors
  - = Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions (°)
  - 18964/11 MAP 9 MI 685
  - 6748/12 MAP 16 MI 17 CODEC 439
  
- Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the award of concession contracts
  - = Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions (°)
  - 18960/11 MAP 8 MI 684
  - 6748/12 MAP 16 MI 17 CODEC 439
  
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1185/2003 on the removal of **fins of sharks** on board vessels (**First reading**) (**Legislative deliberation**)
  - = Endorsement of the working party agreement
  - 17486/11 PECHE 352 ENV 900 CODEC 2177
  - 6719/12 PECHE 58 ENV 127 CODEC 434
  - 6904/12 PECHE 62 ENV 152 CODEC 483

- Governing Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions  
Appointment of Mr Ivan KOKALOV, Bulgarian member, in place of Ms Keti KOYNAKOVA, who has resigned  
= Adoption  
6234/12 SOC 100
  
- Governing Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions  
Appointment of Mr Oleg CHULEV, Bulgarian alternate member, in place of Mr Ivan KOKALOV, who has resigned  
= Adoption  
6235/12 SOC 101
  
- Governing Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP)  
Appointment of Mr Jean-Marc HUART (FR), member in the category of Government representatives  
= Adoption  
6859/12 EDUC 51 SOC 147
  
- Draft Council Decision No .../2012 renewing the term of office of the Vice-President of the Community Plant Variety Office  
= Adoption  
6613/12 AGRILEG 19
  
- (poss.) Draft Council Decision on the conclusion of a Memorandum of Cooperation between the European Union and the International Civil Aviation Organisation providing a framework for enhanced cooperation, and laying down procedural arrangements related thereto  
= Adoption  
7702/11 AVIATION 55 RELEX 259  
+ COR 1 (fi)  
9138/11 AVIATION 102 RELEX 386  
+ COR 1 (fi)  
5560/11 AVIATION 6 RELEX 37

- Draft Council Decision to authorise the Commission to negotiate an agreement between the European Union, Norway and Switzerland in the form of revised exchanges of letters concerning products manufactured in beneficiary countries of the Generalised System of Preferences (GSP) incorporating materials originating in Norway, Switzerland or Turkey, providing that these products shall be treated upon their arrival on the customs territory of the Community as products originating in the GSP beneficiary countries, and concerning the mutual acceptance of replacement proofs of origin (certificates of origin Form A and statements on origin)
    - = Adoption
      - 6295/1/12 UD 36 SPG 6 OC 57 REV 1
        - + REV 1 COR 1
        - + REV 1 ADD 1
        - + REV 1 ADD 1 COR 1
      - 6365/12 UD 37 SPG 7 OC 56
- RESTREINT UE**
- EU contribution to the revision of the World Anti-Doping Code
    - = Approval of the text
      - 6846/12 SPORT 14 DOPAGE 5 SAN 50 JAI 109 DATAPROTECT 26
  - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals (Recast) **(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**
    - = Approval of the final compromise text with a view to agreement
      - 6576/12 ENV 121 WTO 50 MI 110 CODEC 402 OC 64
  - Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a single European railway area (Recast) **(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**
    - (a) Adoption of the position of the Council in first reading
    - (b) Adoption of the statement of the Council's reasons
      - 18581/11 TRANS 365 CODEC 2430 OC 89
        - + ADD 1
      - 6804/12 CODEC 461 TRANS 54 OC 79

## II

- **Setting of the provisional agenda** for the Council meeting (**Transport, Telecommunications and Energy**) on 22 March 2012 <sup>(1)</sup>
  
- **Setting of the provisional agenda** for the Council meeting (**Agriculture and Fisheries**) on 19 and 20 March 2012 <sup>(1)</sup>  
**(For the items in the remit of the Permanent Representative Committee)**
  
- Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on roaming on **public mobile communications networks** within the Union (Recast) (**First reading**) (**Legislative deliberation**)
  - = Preparation for the informal trilogue
    - 12639/11 TELECOM 99 COMPET 352 MI 355 CONSOM 116 CODEC 1182
    - + REV1 (en, fr, de)
    - 6865/12 TELECOM 39 COMPET 113 MI 124 CONSOM 23 CODEC 474

- **Preparation** for the Council meeting (**Environment**) on 9 March 2012
  1. **Rio + 20: Pathways to a sustainable future** (*Non-legislative activity*)
    - = Adoption of Council conclusions  
6819/12 ENV 139 DEVGEN 42 RELEX 162 ONU 19 ECOFIN 186
  2. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (**LIFE**) (**First reading**) (*Legislative deliberation*)
    - = Orientation debate  
18627/11 ENV 976 ENER 410 CADREFIN 207 CODEC 2445  
+ REV 1 (el)  
6820/12 ENV 140 ENER 68 CADREFIN 108 CODEC 465
  3. Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2001/18/EC as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the cultivation of **GMOs** in their territory (**First reading**) (*Legislative deliberation*)
    - = Political agreement  
6761/12 ENV 131 AGRILEG 22 AGRI 100 MI 118 DENLEG 21 CODEC 442
  
- Any other business

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- <sup>(1)</sup> These items will be considered by the Mertens Group on 28 February 2012.
- (+) Item which may be adopted by silence procedure, in accordance with Article 12 (2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.
- (°) Item for a procedural decision by Coreper in accordance with Article 19(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

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