



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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11885/12

**JAI 479
COMIX 407**

OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

from : the Mixed Committee at Ministerial level

on : 7 June 2012

Subject : Outcome of proceedings of the meeting of the Mixed Committee at Ministerial level on 7 June 2012

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

The agenda has been adopted.

2. SIS II

- State of play

The Commission reported on the latest developments in connection with the SIS II project.

3. Schengen governance

- The situation in the Schengen area
 - = Political debate based on report from the Commission
 - 10472/12 JAI 367 SCHENGEN 41 COMIX 331
 - 10223/12 JAI 351 SCHENGEN 38 COMIX 323

The Committee had an exchange of views on developments in the Schengen area on the basis of the first biannual report from the Commission on the functioning of the Schengen area (1 November 2011 - 30 April 2012) (doc 10223/12) and a Presidency paper (doc. 10472/12) focussing on the issues of secondary movements within the EU and visa policy and readmission.

- Schengen Borders Code:
Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) N° 562/2006 in order to provide for common rules on the temporary reintroduction of border control at internal borders in exceptional circumstances

[First reading]

10319/1/12 REV 1 SCHENGEN 39 SCH-EVAL 71 FRONT 81
COMIX 326 CODEC 1415

6161/4/12 REV 4 SCHENGEN 9 FRONT 15 SCH-EVAL 17 COMIX 83
CODEC 292

- Schengen Evaluation Mechanism:
Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of an evaluation and monitoring mechanism to verify the application of the Schengen acquis **[First reading]**

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COMIX 326 CODEC 1415

5754/6/12 REV 6 SCHENGEN 7 SCH-EVAL 15 FRONT 8 COMIX 50
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The outcome of proceedings in the Council regarding the Schengen Borders Code and the Schengen Evaluation Mechanism proposals, confirming the conclusions drawn at the meeting of the Committee, is set out in doc. 11588/12.

4. Any other business

- Information from the Presidency on current legislative proposals

The Presidency informed on the state of play regarding the three following legislative proposals - the draft Regulation amending Regulation 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement; the draft Regulation amending the Schengen Borders Code (technical amendments); and the JHA related proposals under the Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020.

- Belarus - people to people contact (request by the Commission)

The Commission invited delegations to ensure follow-up regarding point 10 of the Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) of 23 March 2012 on Belarus (doc 8102/12). This point refers in particular to the use of the flexibilities in the Visa Code with a view to waiving and reducing visa fees for certain categories of Belarusian citizens or in individual cases.

- Illegal immigration (request by the Maltese Delegation)
10772/12 ASIM 69 COMIX 350

MT by reference to its explanatory note in 10772/12 informed the Committee about the current situation at its external borders with regard to increased illegal immigration flows.

- Local Border Traffic Agreement with Russia (request by Norway)

NO informed the Committee that the Local Border Traffic Agreement between Norway and the Russian Federation had entered into force on 29 May 2012.

- Priorities of the incoming Cypriot Presidency

CY informed the Committee about the priorities in the area of justice and home affairs for the forthcoming Cyprus EU Presidency.

