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(EDUCATION, YOUTH, CULTURE AND SPORT), held in Brussels on

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LEGISLATIVE DELIBERATIONS

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

"A" ITEMS

1. Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 648/2004 as regards the use of phosphates and other phosphorous compounds in consumer laundry detergents and consumer automatic dishwasher detergents

PE-CONS 67/11 MI 585 ENV 883 CHIMIE 85 COMPET 533 ENT 249 CODEC 2105 OC 53

+ REV 1 (pt)

<u>The Council</u> approved the amendment set out in the European Parliament's position at first reading and adopted the proposed act amended accordingly, with the <u>Bulgarian and Czech</u> <u>delegations</u> voting against, pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. (Legal basis: Article 114 of the TFEU).

<u>Joint declaration by the Commission, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania and the United</u> Kingdom concerning the Better Regulation principles

"In a spirit of compromise and in order to allow for an adoption of the Regulation in first reading, the Commission, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania and the United Kingdom can accept the compromise text although it contains some elements departing from the Commission's proposal.

In particular, the Commission, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania and the United Kingdom regret that by including already now restrictions for Consumer Automatic Dishwasher Detergents the principles of Better Regulation and evidence-based policy making have not been followed."

2. Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 810/2009 establishing a Community Code on Visas (Visa Code)

PE-CONS 75/11 VISA 262 COMIX 828 CODEC 2378 OC 77 + COR 1 (el)

<u>The Council</u> approved the amendments set out in the European Parliament's position at first reading and adopted the proposed act amended accordingly, pursuant to Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. In accordance with the relevant Protocols annexed to the Treaties, the <u>Danish</u>, <u>Irish</u> and the <u>United Kingdom delegations</u> did not participate in the vote. (Legal basis: Article 77(2)(a) of the TFEU).

NON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES - PUBLIC DEBATES

(in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)

5. Europe 2020 Strategy - Education and training's contribution to reducing youth unemployment

Policy debate

<u>The Council</u> held a policy debate on the basis of a question paper prepared by the Presidency (see doc. 5444/12). The <u>Presidency</u> undertook to forward a summary of the debate as the education sector's contribution to the Spring European Council meeting scheduled for 1-2 March 2012.
