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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: 2620th meeting of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
(Part 2)

Date: 15 March 2017

Time: 10.00

Venue: COUNCIL
EUROPA BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 155, 1048 BRUSSELS

II

- **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Justice and Home Affairs**) on 27/28 March 2017
 - **Migration policy**: implementation ¹
 - External aspects
 - i) Malta Declaration, 3 February 2017
 - ii) Results of the Valletta Joint Action Plan Senior Officials meeting, 8/9 February 2017
7110/17 JAI 208 ASIM 24 RELEX 216 FRONT 109 COMIX 179
 - Other items in connection with the Council meeting

¹ Exceptionally, in the presence of the Schengen Associated States.

- **Visa facilitation agreement:**
Negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and the People's Republic of China on the facilitation of the issuance of short-stay visas
= Negotiating directives
6374/17 VISA 60 CHINE 6 **EU RESTRICTED**
- **Follow-up** to the Council meeting (**Foreign Affairs**) on 6 March 2017
- **Presentation of the agenda** of the Council meeting (**Foreign Affairs**) on 3 April 2017
- **Follow-up** to the Council meeting (**General Affairs**) on 7 March 2017
- **Follow-up to the European Council** on 9 March 2017
- **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Economic and Financial Affairs**) on 21 March 2017
- (poss.) **Reduced VAT rate for electronically supplied publications (e-Publications)**
 - Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC, as regards rates of value added tax applied to books, newspapers and periodicals
= Orientation debate
7103/17 FISC 59 ECOFIN 184
7104/17 FISC 60 ECOFIN 185
- (poss.) **General Reverse Charge Mechanism**
 - Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax as regards the temporary application of a generalised reverse charge mechanism in relation to supplies of goods and services above a certain threshold
= Orientation debate
7118/17 FISC 61 ECOFIN 187
7120/17 FISC 62 ECOFIN 188
- **European Semester 2017:**
 - i) 2017 Country Reports and In-Depth Reviews
= Presentation by the Commission
6619/17 ECOFIN 145 UEM 54 SOC 142 EMPL 108 COMPET 142 ENV 185
EDUC 90 RECH 80 ENER 84 JAI 163
 - ii) Implementation of Country-Specific Recommendations (CSRs), with special focus on recommendations related to the business environment
= Exchange of views
6318/3/17 REV 3 ECOFIN 92 UEM 22 SOC 93 EMPL 63 COMPET 94
ENV 135 EDUC 48 RECH 40 ENER 45 JAI 115
- Other items in connection with the Council meeting
- Any other business

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- Provisional Application of International Agreements
6974/17 RELEX 207 POLGEN 22 COMER 32 PECHE 88 TRANS 91 ENV 225
- EU-Turkey Statement of 18 March 2016 - Orders of the General Court of 28 February 2017 dismissing, on the ground of lack of jurisdiction, the annulment actions brought against the European Council (Cases T 192/16, NF v. European Council; T 193/16, NG v. European Council and T-257/16, NM v. European Council)
7035/17 JUR 119 JAI 198 ASILE 13 MIGR 30 POLGEN 25
- Case before the General Court of the European Union
T-834/16 QC v. European Council
7066/17 JUR 121 JAI 202 ASILE 14 MIGR 32 POLGEN 27
- Reply to the letter of the President of the European Parliament on delegated and implementing acts
= Approval of a letter (°)
7161/17 JUR 125 INST 103
- Draft Council Decision appointing an alternate member, proposed by the Portuguese Republic, of the Committee of the Regions
= Adoption
6616/17 CDR 25
6615/17 CDR 24
- Draft Council Decision appointing a member, proposed by the Federal Republic of Germany, of the Committee of the Regions
= Adoption
6987/17 CDR 31
6986/17 CDR 30
- Draft Council Decision appointing a member and an alternate member, proposed by the Federal Republic of Germany, of the Committee of the Regions
= Adoption
7013/17 CDR 38
7012/17 CDR 37
- Draft Council Decision appointing an alternate member, proposed by the Kingdom of Spain, of the Committee of the Regions
= Adoption
6999/17 CDR 34
6998/17 CDR 33
- Transparency - Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 01/c/01/17
5963/17 INF 12 API 7

- Recommendation for a Council Recommendation on the economic policy of the euro area
6335/17 ECOFIN 97 UEM 23 SOC 94 EMPL 64 COMPET 96 ENV 138
EDUC 49 RECH 42 ENER 46 JAI 117
5757/17 ECOFIN 53 UEM 16 SOC 57 EMPL 43 COMPET 55 ENV 84
EDUC 27 RECH 24 ENER 21 JAI 75
- European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 31: "Spending at least one euro in every five from the EU budget on climate action: ambitious work underway, but serious risk of falling short"
= Draft Council conclusions
6994/17 ECOFIN 178 ENV 228 CLIMA 57
6993/17 ECOFIN 177 ENV 227 CLIMA 56
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a Union programme to support specific activities enhancing the involvement of consumers and other financial services end-users in Union policy making in the field of financial services for the period of 2017-2020 (**First reading**)
= Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement
6968/17 EF 40 ECOFIN 176 CONSOM 68 CODEC 320
- Draft Council Implementing Decision authorising the Republic of Estonia to apply a special measure derogating from Article 287 of Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax
= Adoption
7033/17 FISC 57 ECOFIN 180
6493/17 FISC 50 ECOFIN 111
- Eurojust's intention to enter into negotiations with a view to concluding a Memorandum of Understanding with the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN)
 - Eurojust's proposal
5732/17 EUROJUST 13 COPEN 41
- (poss.) Enlargement
Accession negotiations with Montenegro
 - Fulfilment of an opening benchmark on Chapter 27: Environment and climate change
7122/17 ELARG 24
- Draft Council Decision on the conclusion of a Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement establishing a partnership between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part, amending the Agreement in order to extend the provisions of the Agreement to bilateral trade in textiles, taking account of the expiry of the bilateral textiles Agreement
= Adoption
7094/17 STIS 3 WTO 58 COEST 62 NIS 3
16384/1/10 REV 1 WTO 377 STIS 17 COEST 354 NIS 132
16388/10 WTO 379 STIS 19 COEST 356 NIS 135

- Draft Council Decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the EU Mexico Joint Committee relating to amendments to Annex III to Decision No 2/2000 of the EC Mexico Joint Council of 23 March 2000 concerning the definition of the concept of originating products and methods of administrative cooperation (certain product-specific rules of origin for chemicals)
and
Draft Council Decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the EU Mexico Joint Committee relating to amendments to Annex III to Decision No 2/2000 of the EC Mexico Joint Council of 23 March 2000 concerning the definition of the concept of originating products and methods of administrative cooperation (Andorra and San Marino, and certain product-specific rules of origin for chemicals)
= Adoption
 - 6145/17 COLAC 11 PVD 2 WTO 28 UD 24
 - 6146/17 COLAC 12 PVD 3 WTO 29 UD 25
 - 6412/17 COLAC 16 PVD 6 WTO 36 UD 37

- Draft Council Decision concerning the signing and conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova on security procedures for exchanging and protecting classified information
= Adoption
 - 7016/17 CFSP/PESC 228 CSC 57 JAI 194 COEST 59 CORLX 146
 - 5342/17 CORLX 16 CSC 10 COEST 12 CFSP/PESC 28 JAI 39
 - 6191/17 CORLX 93 CSC 44 COEST 33 CFSP/PESC 131 JAI 106

- Political and Security Committee Decision on the appointment of the EU Operation Commander for the European Union military operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and repealing Decision BiH/21/2014 (BiH/24/2017)
= Authorisation for publication in the Official Journal (°)
 - 6985/17 CSDP/PSDC 114 CFSP/PESC 225 BIH 3 PSC DEC 6 COWEB 40
 - 6399/17 CSDP/PSDC 77 CFSP/PESC 158 BIH 2 PSC DEC 5 COWEB 29

- Draft Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2016/44 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya
and
Draft Council Implementing Decision implementing Decision (CFSP) 2015/1333 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya
and
Draft Council Implementing Regulation implementing Article 21(5) of Regulation (EU) 2016/44 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya
 - Transposition of UN listings updates
 - 6432/17 CORLX 117 CFSP/PESC 162 RELEX 144 MAMA 34 COARM 75
FIN 122
 - 6856/17 CORLX 134 CFSP/PESC 203 RELEX 196 MAMA 40 COARM 82
FIN 155
 - 6015/17 CORLX 62 CFSP/PESC 97 MAMA 23 COARM 37 FIN 76
 - 6019/17 CORLX 66 CFSP/PESC 101 RELEX 99 MAMA 25 COARM 41 FIN 80

- Draft Council Decision amending Decision 2011/173/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - = Adoption
 - 7026/17 CORLX 147 CFSP/PESC 229 COWEB 41 FIN 175
 - 6879/17 CORLX 140 CFSP/PESC 214 COWEB 37 FIN 161

- Draft Council Decision amending Decision 2014/129/CFSP of 10 March 2014 promoting the European network of independent non-proliferation think tanks in support of the implementation of the EU Strategy against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction
 - = Adoption
 - 7034/17 CORLX 148 CFSP/PESC 230 CONOP 16 CODUN 13 ATO 9
 - 6966/17 CORLX 143 CFSP/PESC 222 CONOP 15 CODUN 12 ATO 8

- Council Common Position 2001/931/CFSP on the application of specific measures to combat terrorism and Council Regulation (EC) No 2580/2001 on specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities with a view to combating terrorism
 - Amended statements of reasons
 - = Adoption
 - 6970/17 CORLX 144 COTER 14 COMET 1 CFSP/PESC 223 RELEX 206
 - FIN 170
 - + ADD 1
 - + ADD 1 COR 1

(°) Item on which a procedural decision may be adopted by Coreper, in accordance with Article 19(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal. A limited stock of documents produced immediately prior to the meeting will be available in the meeting room. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.

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