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(Part 2) held in Brussels on 15 and 19 January 2015

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20. - Council Decision amending Decision 2010/656/CFSP renewing the restrictive measures against Côte d'Ivoire
- Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 174/2005 imposing restrictions on the supply of assistance related to military activities to Côte d'Ivoire
21. Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of a Protocol amending the Common Aviation Area Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia
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1. **Adoption of the provisional agenda and "I" items**

doc. 5197/1/15 REV 1 OJ/CRP2 2 COMIX 17 + CM 1163/15

The above-mentioned agenda is approved with the following changes :

The following items are **added** :

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

- 29. Political and Security Committee Decision EUCAP SAHEL Mali/1/2015 extending the mandate of the Head of Mission of the European Union CSDP mission in Mali (EUCAP Sahel Mali)**

- **Authorisation for publication in the Official Journal**

5255/15 PESC 28 CSDP/PSDC 24 COAFR 11 CSC 9 EUCAP MALI 2

PSC DEC 4

5002/15 PESC 2 CSDP/PSDC 2 COAFR 2 CSC 1 EUCAP MALI 1 PSC DEC 2

- 30. Appeal against judgment of the EU General Court in Case T-400/10 (Hamas v. Council)**
5188/15 JUR 15 RELEX 17 PESC 23 COTER 1

- 31. Council Decision on a European Union Military Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic (EUMAM RCA)**

5217/15 CSDP/PSDC 20 PESC 26 COAFR 9 RELEX 19 CONUN 5

CSC 8 EUMAM RCA 4

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- 32. Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations with the Central African Republic, for an agreement on the status of a European Union Military Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic**

5202/15 CSDP/PSDC 19 PESC 24 COAFR 8 RELEX 18 CONUN 4 CSC 6

EUMAM RCA 3

5127/15 CSDP/PSDC 13 PESC 16 COAFR 7 RELEX 11 CONUN 3 CSC 4

EUMAM RCA 2

The following item is **withdrawn** :

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

- 8.**
- **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering and terrorist financing (AML Directive) (First reading)**
 - **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on information accompanying transfers of funds (AML Regulation) (First reading)**
 - = **Approval of the final compromise text**
- 5116/15 EF 6 ECOFIN 12 DROIPEN 1 CRIMORG 7 CODEC 20
+ ADD 1 to ADD 3

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the summary. Details are contained in the document quoted under item 1.

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II

25. Presidency priorities

- Presentation by the Presidency

The Presidency presented its priorities and working methods. The Presidency will focus on a Competitive, Digital and Engaged Europe. Due to the recent events in France high importance will be given to the fight against terrorism.

26. Fight against terrorism

- Information from the International Ministerial meeting on 11 January 2015 in Paris

In the aftermath of the tragic events in Paris, the Committee held an in-depth discussion on the implications of the events and the measures to be taken.

Following the introductory intervention by the Director of IntCen who gave an update on the threat and its implications, France presented the outcome of the discussion of the Ministerial meeting in Paris on 11 January 2015 and identified seven areas of action where further progress was needed and which should be implemented as a matter of priority. These include reinforcement of controls at external borders of the Schengen area including systematic controls of EU citizens, EU PNR, improvement of information exchange and risk analysis, intensification of cooperation on firearms trafficking, enhancing cooperation with Internet providers with discussion on identification and removal of illegal content, preventing radicalisation and addressing the issue with all countries concerned.

In the discussion which followed, delegations expressed broad support for the areas for action as identified by France and called for their accelerated implementation with real commitment, building on the progress which was already achieved. Coherence between internal and external action should be ensured.

27. Preparation of the Council meeting (Foreign Affairs) on 19 January 2015

a) Russia

Following a presentation of the Issues Paper on relations with Russia by the European External Action Service, the Committee had a discussion on this document that will serve as a basis for the discussion on Russia in the Foreign Affairs Council meeting on 19 January 2015.

b) Climate Change

The Executive Secretary General of the EEAS updated the Committee on the Climate Change agenda item and on the way in which the High Representative intends to conduct the exchange of views on it at the Foreign Affairs Council on 19 January 2015. The Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy would participate in the Council's discussion.

c) Libya

This item was not discussed.

d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee did not discuss other items in connection with the Council meeting.

28. Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 27 January 2015

a) Investment Plan for Europe

- **Commission Proposal on the European Fund for Strategic Investments**
- = **Presentation by the Commission**

5112/15 ECOFIN 11 CODEC 19 POLGEN 5 COMPET 8 RECH 2 ENER 6
TRANS 9 ENV 7 EDUC 4 SOC 5 EMPL 3 EF 5
+ ADD 1

The Commission presented the above proposal and the Presidency informed delegations about the organisation of work in the Council.

b) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency provided further information with regards to the upcoming ECOFIN Council.