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SUMMARY RECORD
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
6, 8 and 12 February 2019

I. Adoption of the agenda

5986/1/19 REV 1 OJ CRP1 5 + REV 1 ADD 1
6013/19 OJ CRP2 5 COMIX 59 + CM 1594/19

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the Annex.

III. Discussion items

COREPER (PART 1)

WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019

Employment and Social Policy

2. Directive on Work-Life Balance 5726/19 + ADD 1
Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement

The Committee endorsed the text of the final compromise and mandated the Presidency to inform the European Parliament that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading in accordance with this compromise (subject to revision by the legal linguists), the Council would approve the European Parliament's position and the act shall be adopted.

Statement by Germany, supported by the Czech Republic and Croatia

"The Federal Republic of Germany ('Germany') supports the overall aim of the directive proposal of the European Parliament and of the Council on work-life balance for parents and carers.

In this context, the scope of the directive respectively the definition of worker is of importance for Germany. The wording in article 2 and recital 12 of the directive proposal is rather unconventional. Thus, Germany would like to outline its view in this regard based on the understanding gained in the course of the negotiations.

Germany considers the wording of both article 2 and recital 12 as a clarification that the Member States are competent to define the scope of the directive according to their respective national provisions.

Germany also considers that mentioning the CJEU, its case law or parts of it merely constitutes a reference to the task of the CJEU to ensure the effectiveness of the directive. This task is limited to guaranteeing the effectiveness with regard to the aim of the respective directive and for this reason restricted to a review for arbitrariness on a case-by-case basis."

Statement by Slovenia

"Slovenia supports the objective of the directive as stated in its Article 1, namely to achieve equality between men and women with regard to labour market opportunities and treatment at work through facilitating the reconciliation of work and family life for working parents and carers. Slovenia is of the firm opinion that its current national system has already achieved this objective. In Slovenia, the employment rate of women is one of the highest in the EU and the gender employment gap is one of the lowest. The positive impact of parenthood on women's employment is very high.

Given that the directive affects the national social security systems and their financial equilibriums, Slovenia underlines that the setting of minimum standards should be done in a way that does not interfere with well-established systems which are already achieving equal labour market opportunities for women and men.

Slovenia also points out that the directive is the first legislative file based upon the principles of the European Pillar of Social Rights (EPSR) aiming at upward convergence among Member States, which is strongly supported by Slovenia.

However, the lengthy and complex negotiations have shown that national systems vary considerably and that Member States support different sets of measures which allow "equal access to special leaves of absence in order to fulfil their caring responsibilities and encourage to use them in a balanced way" (principle 9 of EPSR). To the contrary, the final compromise text insists only on some of these measures, i.e. pay and non-transferability of leave. Furthermore, the final compromise disproportionately focuses on the measure of non-transferability rather than on pay. In particular, it reconfirms the derogation for tackling some Member States' concerns of payment, while omitting equally valid proposals for tackling concerns of other Member States, like Slovenia. Slovenia is therefore strongly convinced that the directive as finally agreed will not contribute to upward convergence and will not encourage parents to use special leaves in a balanced way.

Based on the above, Slovenia will vote against the directive."

3. Directive on transparent and predictable working conditions 5878/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

4. Revision of Regulations on coordination of social security systems (883/04 and 987/09)
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 31 January 2019.

Transport

5. Amending Regulation 1316/2013 to prepare for Brexit (CEF) 5900/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Environment

6. Regulation on CO2 standards for heavy-duty vehicles 5796/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Internal Market and Industry

7. Regulation on explosives precursors
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 4 February 2019.

Competitiveness

8. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 18 and 19 February 2019: Preparation

1. Competitiveness "check-up"
Presentation by the Commission
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

2. Artificial intelligence 5804/19

a) Impact of artificial intelligence on EU industry
Presentation by the Commission and the Presidency
Exchange of views

b) Conclusions on the coordinated plan on artificial intelligence 5808/19
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

3. Clean Planet for all: Strategic long-term vision for a climate neutral economy 5887/1/19 REV 1
Presentation by the Commission
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

4. European Semester 5817/19
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Internal Market and Industry

9. Goods package: Regulation on market surveillance and compliance 5841/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Agriculture

10. Regulation amending general food law 5855/19 + ADD 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Statement by Germany

"Germany has given its agreement in principle to the mandate for the trilogue with the European Parliament. However, it is pointed out once again that, in the German view, individual points regarding, inter alia, the amendment of Regulation (EU) No 2015/2283 still need to be clarified and, as the case may be, modified in order to prevent obvious contradictions to the current legislation and queries by third parties on applicable regulations and enforcement resulting from these contradictions. In this matter, Germany refers to its comments included in Document WK 346/2019 ADD3."

Telecommunications

11. Directive on the re-use of public sector information (PSI) 5635/19 + COR 1
Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement

The Committee endorsed the text of the final compromise and mandated the Presidency to inform the European Parliament that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading in accordance with this compromise (subject to revision by the legal linguists), the Council would approve the European Parliament's position and the act shall be adopted.

Transport

14. Directive amending Directive 2008/96/EC on road infrastructure safety management
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 5 February 2019.

Fisheries

23. Regulation on a multi-annual plan for demersal stocks in the Western Mediterranean Sea
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 4 February 2019.

Transport

5. (continuation) Amending Regulation 1316/2013 to prepare for Brexit (CEF)
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 7 February 2019.

15. Directive on the promotion of clean and energy-efficient road transport vehicles 5864/19 + COR 1
+ ADD 1
Preparation for the trilogue + ADD 1 COR 1

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

16. Directive amending Directive 92/106/EEC on common rules of combined transport of goods 5636/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed to revert to the matter at a forthcoming meeting.

17. Directive on the minimum training of seafarers 5872/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Energy

18. Revision of the Gas Directive 5874/19
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

The Committee agreed on a mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Statement by Cyprus

"The Republic of Cyprus reiterates its concerns with regards to the horizontal issue of distribution of competences between the Union and its Member States. The legal basis of the proposal for amending Directive 2009/73/EC is Article 194 of Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU). According to Article 5 (2) of the Treaty on the European Union (TEU), the Union shall act in accordance with the principle of conferral, which provides that the Union shall act only within the limits of the competences conferred upon it by its Member States in the Treaties. Therefore, in this case the Union should have to respect the limitations on its competences in the sector of Energy contained in the second subparagraph of Article 194 (2) of TFEU."

Internal Market and Industry

9. (continuation) Goods package: Regulation on market surveillance and compliance
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 7 February 2019.

19. Directive on digital tools and process in company law
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 4 February 2019.

20. Directive on cross-border conversions, mergers and divisions
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 5 February 2019.

Competitiveness

8. (continuation) Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 18 and 19 February 2019: Preparation

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| 5. Horizon Europe Package - Specific programme implementing Horizon Europe | 5889/19 |
| <i>Progress report</i> | 5907/19 |
| <i>Exchange of views</i> | |

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Employment and Social Policy

3. (continuation) Directive on transparent and predictable working conditions
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 6 February 2019.

21. Regulation on establishing a European Labour Authority
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 5 February 2019.

Fisheries

24. Regulation on technical measures 6025/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Statement by Germany

"Germany is in general supportive of the mandate of the Council for a trilogue with the European Parliament on the proposal on technical measures for the fisheries in EU waters. In this context it affirms its attachment to the principle that technical measures in fisheries be based on the best scientific knowledge available. It notes that the proposed mandate includes a prohibition of pulse fishery as from 2022 without a previous revision of the impact of this fishing technology on the environment even though some scientific studies allude to is possible potential. Germany notes the potential importance of pulse fishery in some Member States and considers the lack of such a revision clause as not being in line with the principle that measures be based on best scientific knowledge. At the current stage it is therefore not in a position to support this mandate."

Internal Market and Industry

25. Regulation on platform-to-business relations 5877/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Telecommunications

26. Regulation establishing the Digital Europe programme for the period 2021-2027 5989/19
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Internal Market and Industry

74. Regulation on supplementary protection certificate for medical products
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 7 February 2019.

27. Directive on Copyright in the Digital Single Market 5893/19 + ADD 1
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019

Justice and Home Affairs

44. Regulation amending the Schengen Border Code Regulation as regards temporary reintroduction of control at internal borders
Preparation for the trilogue 5885/19

The Committee discussed the above-mentioned item.

45. IPCR High-level roundtable on the migration and refugee crisis
Information from the Presidency

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

46. Directive on law enforcement access to financial information
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue
Preparation for trilogue 5980/19

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and agreed on a slightly revised mandate in view of the forthcoming trilogue.

General Affairs

47. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 19 February 2019:
Preparation

Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency provided further information regarding the Council meeting.

48. Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 - Simplification of the draft Negotiating Box
State of play and guidance for further work 5690/19

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and provided guidance on future work.

Economic and Financial Affairs

49. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 12 February 2019: Preparation

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| a) | European system of financial supervision review | 5837/19 |
| | <i>Policy debate/General approach</i> | 5834/19 |
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The Committee agreed to forward the draft texts to the Council for a General Approach.

Statement by the Netherlands

"While supporting the overall package of compromise proposals on the review of the European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS review), as presented by the Romanian Presidency, the Netherlands regrets that the compromise proposals on the Regulation on the European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) do not fully address our expressed concerns with regards to a potential conflict of interest between the ESRB and the European Central Bank (ECB). Although we acknowledge the improvements made in the Council's compromise text, for instance with regards to the strengthening of the position of the ESRB's first Vice-Chair, we consider this an issue that would ideally be further addressed during the trilogues with the European Parliament. Furthermore, we call on the European Commission to consider possible alternative models for the governance of the ESRB when reporting on the mission and organization of the ESRB in a future report on the ESRB. The Netherlands will continue to work constructively towards addressing this issue."

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| b) | Towards a more efficient and democratic decision-making
in EU tax policy | 5757/19 |
| | <i>Exchange of views</i> | 5472/19 |

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

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| c) | Conclusions on the Fiscal Sustainability Report 2018 | 5814/19 |
| | <i>Adoption</i> | |

The Committee prepared this item for the Council and agreed to forward the conclusions to the Council for adoption.

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| d) | Recommendation on the discharge to be given to the
Commission in respect of the implementation of the
budget for 2017 | 5824/19 + ADD 1 |
| | <i>Adoption</i> | |

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

- e) Conclusions on the budget guidelines for 2020
Adoption

5823/19

The Committee prepared this item for the Council and agreed to forward the conclusions to the Council for adoption.

- f) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency provided further information regarding the Council meeting.

50. High-level Group of Wise Persons on the European Financial
Architecture for Development
Information from the Presidency

5923/19

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

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Economic and Financial Affairs

75. Council Recommendation on the appointment of a member of
the Executive Board of the European Central Bank
Adoption

6170/19

5940/19

The Committee approved the draft Council Recommendation and agreed to forward it to the Council for adoption. The Committee also agreed to add this item on the agenda of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 12 February 2019.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

None.

COREPER (PART 2)

Delegated act on "High risk third countries" as regards money laundering

The Committee took note of the information provided by 8 delegations.

Electoral Law

The Committee took note of the information given by the Presidency and the Council Legal Service.

ELA Regulation

The Committee discussed the draft Joint Statement and agreed to revert to this issue at its next session.

"I" items approved**COREPER (PART 1)****WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019****Institutional Affairs****Written questions**

28. Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament
Adoption by silence procedure 5873/19
PE-QE
- a) João Pimenta Lopes (GUE/NGL) 5293/19
'Economic and financial blockade against Cuba'
- b) João Pimenta Lopes (GUE/NGL) 5295/19
'Political persecution of Huber Ballesteros'
- c) Jean-Luc Schaffhauser (ENF) 5297/19
'Sanctions against the Democratic Republic of Congo'
- d) Monika Beňová (S&D) 5298/19
'Hungarian media'

Appointments

29. One alternate member (SE) in the Management Board of the European Institute for Gender Equality 5830/19
Adoption SOC
30. **Minutes of Council meetings**
- Approval*
- a) COMPET 29-30.11.2018 14991/18
+ ADD 1
+ COR 1
- b) TTE 3-4.12.2018 15093/18
+ ADD 1

Internal Market and Industry

31. Work programme of the High Level Working Group on Competitiveness and Growth
Approval 5733/19
COMPET

Energy

32. Joint Declaration on the fifth Ministerial meeting of the Southern Gas Corridor Advisory Council
(Baku, 20 February 2019)
Authorisation to sign on behalf of the European Union 5780/19
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Statement by Cyprus

"The Republic of Cyprus joined the consensus on the text of the Joint Declaration, fully sharing the importance the Union and some of our partners attach to the Southern Gas Corridor for the diversification of gas supply. Nevertheless, Cyprus wishes to put on record that it considers the text of the Declaration to be disproportionately positive vis-à-vis the role of certain third countries, without taking into consideration the overall stance of these countries towards some Member States. It should be recalled, in this respect, the unfortunate and provocative stance of Turkey during last year's Advisory Council of the Southern Gas Corridor, using the meeting as a platform to convey its totally unfounded position on the gas exploration activities of the Republic of Cyprus. Cyprus therefore expects that the Commission will take all appropriate measures in order to ensure that such behaviour by Turkey will not be repeated during this year's meeting."

Fisheries

33. Regulation amending certain provisions for fishing in the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) Agreement area
Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement 5728/19
5729/19
PECHE

Statements by the Commission

- on recreational fisheries

"The Commission recalls that one of the objectives set up in the MedFish4Ever Ministerial Declaration adopted in March 2017 is to establish, as soon as possible and at the latest by 2020, a set of baseline rules to ensure an effective management of recreational fisheries across the Mediterranean.

In line with this objective, the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) mid-term Strategy 2017-2020 includes amongst the actions to be implemented in the GFCM area, the assessment of the impacts of recreational fisheries and the consideration of best management measures to regulate these activities. In this context, a working group for recreational fisheries has been established within the GFCM with a view to developing a harmonized regional methodology towards assessing recreational fisheries.

The Commission will continue its efforts within the GFCM in order to attain the objective set up in the MedFish4Ever Declaration."

- on red coral

"The Commission recalls that the conservation measures adopted within the framework of the regional adaptive management plan for the exploitation of red coral in the Mediterranean Sea [Recommendation GFCM/41/2017/5] are temporary. These measures, which include the possibility to introduce catch limitations, will be assessed by the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) of the GFCM in 2019 with a view to their revision by the GFCM at its 43rd annual session (November 2019)."

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| 34. Regulation on a multiannual recovery plan for Mediterranean swordfish
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> | 5731/19
5732/19
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| 35. Regulation laying down conservation and control measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO)
<i>Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament</i> | 5881/19
5724/2/19 REV 2
+ ADD 1
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Transport

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| 37. Council Decision on personnel matters to be adopted by the Regional Steering Committee
<i>Adoption</i> | 5399/19
5397/19
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Agriculture

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| 38. Regulation amending Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013 as regards certain rules on direct payments and support for rural development in respect of the years 2019 and 2020
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 5811/19
PE-CONS 3/19
AGRI |
| 39. Conclusions on animal welfare (CoA SR No 31/2018)
<i>Adoption</i> | 5870/19
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Delegated or Implementing Acts

Internal Market

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| 40. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 19.12.2018 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2446 as regards the time-limits for lodging entry summary declarations and pre-departure declarations in case of transport by sea from and to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man
<i>Delegated act - Intention not to raise objections</i> | 5801/19
15845/18
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Environment

41. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 19.12.2018 determining transitional Union-wide rules for harmonised free allocation of emission allowances pursuant to Article 10a of Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council
Delegated act - Intention not to raise objections 5813/19
15801/18 + ADD 1
CLIMA
42. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 19.12.2018 amending Commission Regulation No 389/2013 of 2 May 2013 establishing a Union Registry
Delegated act - Intention not to raise objections 5784/19
15821/18
CLIMA

FRIDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2019

Transport

36. IMO - Union submission to the 74th session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee
(London 13–17 May 2019) concerning harmonised rules on the discharge of liquid effluent from exhaust gas cleaning systems
Endorsement 5879/19
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OMI

Statement by the Commission

"The Commission considers that the above mentioned "Union submission" to be submitted to the IMO are covered by EU exclusive competence. Submission of proposals to the IMO on issues of EU competence is an act of external representation and should be made by the Commission on behalf of the EU to IMO and should therefore be sent to the IMO by the Commission.

In the view of the Commission, the procedural arguments against presenting submissions to the IMO by the Commission on behalf of the EU are not convincing as there is no evidence to suggest that the IMO, as a specialized agency of the United Nations, would be in a position to reject such a submission.

The Commission thus maintains its position that the Treaty provisions on external representation of the Union should be applied and, consequently, that the only legally correct way forward is to present the submission in question to the IMO by the European Commission on behalf of the European Union. The Commission reserves all its rights in this regard."

COREPER (PART 2)

Judicial Affairs

51. Case C-731/18 P (Vnesheconombank against Council of the European Union) 5791/19
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) JUR
52. Case T-32/19 (Katherine Nayarith Harrington Padrón v. Council) 5852/19
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) JUR
53. Case C-530/17 P (Mykola Y. Azarov v. Council) 5862/19
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) JUR

Institutional Affairs

54. **Minutes of Council meetings**
Approval
- a) ECOFIN 6.11.2018 13974/18 + ADD 1
- b) FAC/Trade 9.11.2018 14107/18 + ADD 1
- c) GAC 12.11.2018 14167/18 + ADD 1
- d) ECOFIN/Budget 16.11.2018 14401/18
- e) FAC 19-20.11.2018 14404/18
+ ADD 1 REV 1
- f) FAC/Development 26.11.2018 14767/18 + ADD 1
- g) GAC/Cohesion 30.11.2018 15064/18

Appointments

55. A member (ES) of the Committee of the Regions 5772/19 + COR 1
Adoption 5771/19 + COR 1
CDR

Transparency

56. Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 29/c/02/18
Adoption 15099/18 + COR 1
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API

Economic and Financial Affairs

57. New Lithuanian Commemorative Coin 5429/19
UEM
58. Revised Portuguese Commemorative Coin 5659/19
UEM
59. Council recommendations on the discharge to be given to the
bodies set up under the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty in respect
of the budget for 2017 5825/19 + ADD 1
Adoption FIN
60. Council recommendations on the discharge to be given to the
executive agencies in respect of the budget for 2017 5826/19 + ADD 1
Adoption FIN
61. Council recommendations on the discharge to be given to the
joint undertakings in respect of the budget for 2017 5827/19 + ADD 1
Adoption FIN

General Affairs

62. EP Resolutions and decisions (January II 2019) 5319/19
PE-RE

Justice and Home Affairs

63. Council Decision on the conclusion of the status agreement with
Albania on actions carried out by EBCG Agency in Albania 5876/19
Adoption 10302/18
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64. Council Decisions on the declaration of acceptance of the accession of certain States to the 1980 Hague Convention

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| a) | Decision authorising Austria, Cyprus, Croatia, Luxembourg, Portugal, Romania and the United Kingdom to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of the Dominican Republic to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction
<i>Adoption</i> | 5103/19
14922/18
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Statement by Belgium, Germany, Spain, France, Italy, Luxembourg, Austria and Poland

"Where the European Union adopts internal legislative acts and on this basis, it exercises external exclusive competence, the Member States bound by those legislative acts take part in the acts that the Union adopts as part of this external competence.

In the context of this decision, all the Member States of the European Union bound by Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/2003 of 27 November 2003 concerning jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in matrimonial matters and the matters of parental responsibility, repealing Regulation (EC) No 1347/2000 consequently take part in the adoption of the decision authorising Austria, Cyprus, Croatia, Luxembourg, Portugal, Romania and the United Kingdom to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of the Dominican Republic to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction."

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| b) | Decision authorising Austria to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Ecuador and Ukraine to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction
<i>Adoption</i> | 5104/19
14947/18
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| c) | Decision authorising Austria and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Honduras to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction
<i>Adoption</i> | 5106/19
14948/18
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| d) | Decision authorising Austria, Luxembourg and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Belarus and Uzbekistan to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction
<i>Adoption</i> | 5107/19 + COR 1
14949/18
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| 65. | Framework for a comprehensive dialogue between the EU and Iran on migration and refugee issues
<i>Endorsement</i> | 5983/19
ASIM |
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66. Contract Law

- a) Directive on Contracts for the Sales of Goods (DSG) 5856/19
Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement
- b) Directive on Digital Content (DCD) 5857/19
Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement

Foreign Affairs

- 67. EDF Discharge - Financial year 2017 5372/19
Adoption 5368/19
5369/19
5370/19
5371/19
ACP
- 68. Common Military List of the European Union 5597/19
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