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SUMMARY RECORD
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
17 July 2024

I. Adoption of the agenda

12218/24 OJ CRP1 28 + COR 1
12278/1/24 REV 1 OJ CRP2 26

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the Annex, with the exception of item 61.

III. Discussion items II

COREPER (PART 1)

Health

2. Stockpiling of medicines
Exchange of views

11762/24

The Committee held an exchange of views.

COREPER (PART 2)

General Affairs

24. Growth Plan for the Western Balkans
State of play

The Committee took note of the state of play and held an exchange of views.

Foreign Affairs

25. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 22 July 2024:
Preparation

- a) Current affairs

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Russian aggression against Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) Situation in the Middle East
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Other items in connection with the Council

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

26. EU-Indonesia relations 12003/24
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views.

27. EU-Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) summit 12199/24 R-UE
Orientation debate

The Committee held an orientation debate and agreed to revert to this issue at one of its next meetings.

28. Regulation establishing the European Defence Industry  11802/24
Programme
Guidance for further work

The Committee took note of the state of play and provided guidance for further work.

Economic and Financial Affairs

29. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on
16 July 2024: Follow-up

The Committee took note of the main outcomes of the Council meeting.

30. Council position on the draft budget for 2025
Approval
Decision to use the written procedure



12082/24 + COR 1
+ ADD 1-2
12083/24

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its adoption. As a result, the ECOFIN/Budget Council scheduled for 23 July is cancelled.

Statement by Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonian, Greece, Spain, Croatia, Italy, Lithuania, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia

on Next Generation-EU interest payments

“BG, CY, EE, EL, ES, HR, IT, LT, LV, MT, PL, PT, RO, SI, SK recall point 16 of the European Council conclusions of February 2024 which introduced the cascade mechanism and established EURI instrument with the aim of ensuring that the Union Budget fulfils its legal obligation taking into account commonly agreed priorities and prudent budgeting.

We emphasise that the provisions regarding the use of step 2 require to cover a substantial part of the necessary amounts, as far as possible, with a view to mobilising an amount equivalent to about 50 % of the NGEU interest payments cost overruns as a benchmark, taking into account priorities and prudent budgeting at the same time. We point out that exceeding the 50% benchmark may not be in line with the above-mentioned limitations. Excessive reductions of funding for EU programmes (including Erasmus+) may negatively impact EU priorities and excessive use of margins and special instruments may not be in line with prudent budgeting.

BG, CY, EE, EL, ES, HR, IT, LT, LV, MT, PL, PT, RO, SI, SK recall that following the submission of the amending letter, and the updated information regarding the Next Generation EU and implementation of the programmes, we would take these into account in our positions, notably with respect to programmes and priorities, and the use of margins and special instruments. We emphasise that the implementation of the cascade mechanism in the 2025 EU budget should not set a precedent for the coming years and that the Council’s overall position on future annual budgets should not be prejudged by the implementation of the cascade mechanism in 2025.”

Justice and Home Affairs

31. The external dimension of migration – MOCADDEM:
implementation report on Pakistan
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

None.

COREPER (PART 2)

Summit of the European Political Community on 18 July

The Committee took note of the information provided by the cabinet of the President of the European Council.

Non-discussion items "I"

COREPER (PART 1)

Institutional Affairs

Written questions

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| 3. | <p>Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament</p> <p><i>Adoption by silence procedure</i></p> <p>a) Clara Aguilera (S&D)</p> <p>"Commission proposal for the sustainable use of plant protection products"</p> | <p> 12165/1/24 REV 1
PE-QE</p> <p>11411/24</p> |
| 4. | <p>Minutes of Council meetings</p> <p><i>Approval</i></p> <p>a) TTE Energy 30.05.2024</p> <p>b) COMPET 23-24.05.2024</p> | <p> PV CONS</p> <p>10547/24 + ADD 1</p> <p>10345/24 + ADD 1</p> |

Appointments

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| 5. | <p>One member of the Management Board of the European Medicines Agency</p> <p><i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>11766/24
11571/24
PHARM</p> |
| 6. | <p>One alternate member (EL) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training</p> <p><i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>8919/24
11915/24
SOC</p> |
| 7. | <p>One alternate member (LV) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training</p> <p><i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>8952/24
11930/24
SOC</p> |
| 8. | <p>One member (LV) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training</p> <p><i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>10585/24
11931/24
SOC</p> |
| 9. | <p>One alternate member (EE) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training</p> <p><i>Adoption</i></p> | <p>10588/24 + COR 1
11932/24
SOC</p> |

Other

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| 10. | Attendance of third parties at the Education Committee on 22 and 23 July 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 12155/24
EDUC |
| 11. | Attendance of a third party at the Youth Working Party on 24 July 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 11405/24
JEUN |
| 12. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Seeds, Propagating and Planting Materials) on 3 and 4 September 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 11859/24
AGRI |
| 13. | Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on Technical Harmonisation on 9 September 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 12152/24
MI |

Fisheries

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| 14. | Regulation laying down conservation, management and control measures applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  12019/24
PE 32/24
PECHE |
| 15. | Council Regulation amending Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2061 on the allocation of fishing opportunities under the Protocol on the implementation of the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement (SFPA) with Islamic Republic of Mauritania
<i>Adoption</i> |  11677/24
11662/24
PECHE |

Transport

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| 16. | Opinion of the Council on the designation of European Coordinators for the trans-European transport network (TEN-T)
<i>Adoption</i> | 12030/24
12010/24
TRANS |
| 17. | Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF) - letter on behalf of the EU and its Member States in response to China's application for accession to OTIF as an Associate Member
<i>Approval of a letter</i> | 12125/24 + ADD 1
TRANS |

A statement by Slovakia is set out in document 12125/24 ADD 1.

Internal Market and Industry

18. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1009 as regards the digital labelling of EU fertilising products  12018/24 + ADD 1
PE 13/24
Adoption of the legislative act MI

Statements by Italy, Slovakia and the Commission are set out in document 12018/24 ADD 1.

19. Commission's intention to enter into an OECD Ministerial Declaration on protecting and empowering consumers in the digital and green transitions 12051/24
CONSOM
Authorisation to negotiate an NBI

Energy

20. Commission's intention to endorse on behalf of the EU the Ministerial Conclusions of the High-Level Group of Central and South Eastern Europe Energy Connectivity 12012/24
ENER
Authorisation to negotiate an NBI
21. Commission's intention to endorse on behalf of the EU the multi-annual work programme of the North Seas Energy Cooperation 12014/24
ENER
Authorisation to negotiate an NBI
22. Conclusions on European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 09/2024 entitled "Security of the supply of gas in the EU – EU's framework helped member states respond to the crisis, but impact of some crisis-response measures cannot be demonstrated" 12204/24
ENER
Approval
23. Conclusions on European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 29/2023 entitled "The EU's support for sustainable biofuels in transport - An unclear route ahead" 12205/24
ENER
Approval

COREPER (PART 2)

Judicial Affairs

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| 32. | Case T-232/24, restrictive measures (Russia listings)
<i>Authorisation to produce a copy of or an extract from a Council document for use in legal proceedings</i> |  12297/24
JUR |
| 33. | Case T-238/24, application for annulment, restrictive measures (Belarus)
<i>Information note</i> | 11868/24
JUR |
| 34. | Case T-273/24, application for annulment, restrictive measures (Ukraine territorial integrity)
<i>Information note</i> | 11873/24
JUR |
| 35. | Case T-406/22, appeal against the judgment of the General Court of 3 July 2024 (Volkskreditbank v SRB)
<i>Approval</i> | 12198/24
JUR |
| 36. | Case T-740/22, request for authorisation to lodge an appeal, restrictive measures (Ukraine territorial integrity)
<i>Approval</i> | 12234/24
JUR |
| 37. | Case T-296/24
<i>Authorisation to produce a copy of or an extract from a Council document for use in legal proceedings</i> |  12203/24
JUR |

Institutional Affairs

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| 38. | Minutes of Council meetings
<i>Approval</i> |  PV CONS |
| a) | ECOFIN 14.05.2024 | 10093/24 + ADD 1 |
| b) | GAC 21.05.2024 | 10190/24 + ADD 1 |

Appointments

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| 69. | Council Decision on the non-replacement of members of the Commission
<i>Adoption</i>
<i>Decision to use the written procedure</i> |  12240/24 + COR 1
INST |
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Other

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| 39. | Establishment of a Working Party on defence industry
<i>Approval</i> |  | 11955/1/24 REV 1
+ REV 1 COR 1
INDEF |
| 40. | Council Decision amending Decision 2009/908/EU
<i>Agreement in principle</i> | | 12195/24
INDEF |
| 41. | Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on the 2030
Agenda for Sustainable Development (Agenda 2030) meetings
during the Hungarian Presidency
<i>Approval</i> | | 12148/24
SUSTDEV |
| 42. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Combating
Fraud (GAF) on 18 July 2024
<i>Approval</i> | | 12092/24
GAF |
| 43. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Customs
Union (Directors General of Customs) on 5 September 2024
<i>Approval</i> | | 12163/24
UD |
| 44. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Export Credits
Group on 25 September 2024
<i>Approval</i> | | 12090/24
CCG |

Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 45. | Council Decision approving the external auditors of the Central
Bank of Cyprus
<i>Adoption</i> | | 11850/24
11852/24
UEM |
| 46. | ECA SR No 10/2024 on the recognition of professional
qualifications in the EU
<i>Designation of a Working Party</i>
<i>Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the working
party meeting</i> |  | 11996/24
FIN |
| 47. | Transfer No DEC 06/2024 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i>
<i>Approval of a letter</i> |  | 12038/24
11886/24
FIN |
| 48. | Transfer No DEC 07/2024 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i>
<i>Approval of a letter</i> |  | 12075/24
12074/24
FIN |
| 49. | Council position on DAB No 2/2024: Surplus 2023
<i>Approval</i>
<i>Decision to use the written procedure</i> |  | 12077/24
12078/24
8685/24 |

Justice and Home Affairs

50. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 as regards holders of Serbian passports issued by the Serbian Coordination Directorate  12085/24
PE 81/24
VISA
Adoption of the legislative act

51. 1965 Hague Service Convention: line to take concerning the accession of El Salvador 12060/24
JUSTCIV
Approval

A joint statement by Czechia and France is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

52. 1965 Hague Service Convention: line to take concerning the accession of Dominican Republic 12062/24
JUSTCIV
Approval

A joint statement by Czechia and France is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

Foreign Affairs

53. Policy position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the WTO as regards the draft General Council Decision on moving agriculture negotiations forward 12183/24
POLCOM
Approval of an NBI

An oral intervention by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

54. Declaration on WTO e-commerce joint statement initiative 12061/24
POLCOM
Approval of an NBI

A statement by Belgium, supported by France, and a statement by the Commission are set out in ADD 1 to this document.

55. Appointment of the President of the EU-Latin America and Caribbean (EU-LAC) Foundation 12194/24
COLAC
Approval

56. Conclusions on a visa liberalisation dialogue with Armenia 10198/24
COEST
Approval

57. PSC Decision EUNAVFOR MED IRINI/4/2024: reconfirmation of the authorisation  12107/24
11814/24
PSC DEC
Decision to publish in the Official Journal

58. Exercise Policy of the EU under the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) 12230/24
COPS
Approval

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| 59. | Council Decision on an assistance measure under the European Peace Facility to support the Armed Forces of the Republic of Armenia
<i>Adoption</i> | 7999/24
7998/24
CORLX |
| 60. | Council Decision on an assistance measure under the European Peace Facility to support the Armed Forces of Mauritania
<i>Adoption</i> | 8608/24
8607/24
CORLX |
| 61. | Council Decision on an assistance measure under the European Peace Facility to support the Armed Forces of Montenegro
<i>Adoption</i> | 10741/24
10738/24
CORLX |
| 62. | Council Implementing Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya
<i>Adoption</i> | 11065/24
11062/24
11064/24
CORLX |
| 63. | Council Decision amending Council Decision on an assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024
<i>Adoption</i> | 11245/24
11244/24
CORLX |
| 64. | Council Decision concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine
<i>Adoption</i> | 11813/24
11812/24
CORLX |
| 65. | Council Decision on the European Union CSDP Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic
<i>Adoption</i> | 11486/24
11485/24
CORLX |
| 66. | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1998 concerning restrictive measures against serious human rights violations and abuses
<i>Adoption</i> | 11947/24
11941/24
11943/24
CORLX |

EU positions for international negotiations

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| 67. | Council Decision on the EU position in the EU-Central Africa Economic Partnership Agreement Committee regarding the adoption of the Protocol on rules of origin
<i>Adoption</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">C</div> 12011/24
9670/24 + ADD 1
ACP |
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68. Council Decision on the EU position within the Council of Europe bodies as regards the status of the EU in the Register of Damage
Adoption

11791/24
12124/1/24 REV 1
COSCE

A statement by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.



First reading



Special legislative procedure



Silence procedure (Article 12(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)



Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)



Item based on a Commission proposal

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