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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:	Informal videoconference of the members of the Visa Working Party/ Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Norway and Switzerland/Liechtenstein)
Date:	13 October 2021
Time:	10.00
Venue:	Council VTC Platform

This virtual meeting will be held using the Council's video conferencing platform and will allow all participants to connect remotely. This means that every participant will connect from his/her computer, tablet or smartphone.

Each delegation is invited to inform the Council secretariat (visa@consilium.europa.eu) by Friday 8 October 2021, cob of the names of the persons participating. The maximum number of persons per Member State's delegation connecting is 1+1 (1 connection for the capital and 1 connection for the Permanent Representation).

An information note on how to access the system and the meeting access codes will be sent separately to participants, upon confirmation of their participation. Delegations will find below the agenda of the meeting.

MIXED COMMITTEE

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Resuming visa activities
 - State of play and exchange of views
3. Visa measures under Article 25a of the Visa Code¹:
 - a) Proposal for a Council implementing decision on the suspension of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council with respect to Bangladesh
 - 11669/21
 - b) Proposal for a Council implementing decision on the suspension of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council with respect to Iraq
 - 11671/21= Continuation of the exchange of views
 - c) Council implementing decision on the suspension of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) 810/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council with respect to The Gambia: implementation
 - = Information by the Commission
 - 12653/21
4. AOB
 - Visa reciprocity with the U.S. - state of play
 - Information by the Commission
 - Security of Afghan passports
 - Impact on ESP's operations located in China in visa matter following the Chinese Personal Information Protection Law (PIPL) entering into force 01/11/2021
 - French restrictive measures on visa issuance

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5. Proposal for a Council Decision on the partial suspension of the application of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Belarus on the facilitation of the issuance of visas²
 - Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views
 - 12357/21

¹ Working Party IMEX (Expulsion) experts are invited to attend this agenda item, however no additional connections are granted to delegations. This item will be taken in the presence of the EEAS.

² This item will be taken in the presence of the EEAS.

6. AOB
- Visa Facilitation Agreement with Cabo Verde
 - Information by the Presidency
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NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal.