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SUMMARY RECORD

Extraordinary meetings of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE 22, 24, 27, 28 February, 1, 3 and 4 March 2022

I. Adoption of the agenda

CM 1845/1/22 REV 1 + 1892/1/22 REV 1 + 1941/1/22 REV 1 + 1964/2/22 REV 2 + 2039/1/22 REV 1 CM 1933/22

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. <u>Discussion items</u>

COREPER (PART 2)

TUESDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2022

Foreign Affairs

European security situation	6455/22
	6457/22
	6492/22
	6485/22
	6488/22
	6477/22
	6479/22
	6481/22
	6483/22

The Committee held an exchange of views.

THURSDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2022

General Affairs

Preparation for the special meeting of the European Council on 24 February 2022

The Committee prepared the upcoming European Council.

SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2022

Foreign Affairs

Informal videoconference of the Ministers for Defence on 28 February 2022: agenda and preparation

The Committee took note of the agenda and prepared the meeting.

Council Decisions on assistance measures under the European Peace	6659/22
Facility to support the Ukrainian Armed Forces, and related concept	6661/22
note	6656/22
Approval	6658/22 + COR 1

Decision to use the written procedure

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text of the Council Decisions and related concept note and decided to use the written procedure for their adoption/approval.

Formal Declaration by Austria on abstention regarding the Council Decision on an Assistance Measure under the European Peace Facility for the supply to the Ukrainian Armed Forces of military equipment, and platforms, designed to deliver lethal force

"In accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 31(1) TEU and in line with Austria's declaration on the application of constructive abstention at the time of the adoption of the Council Decision establishing the European Peace Facility, Austria hereby notifies the Council of its decision to abstain from the Council Decision on an Assistance Measure under the European Peace Facility for the supply to the Ukrainian Armed Forces of military equipment, and platforms, designed to deliver lethal force, as she deems this decision sensitive for the specific character of her security and defence policy.

Austria, acting in a spirit of mutual EU solidarity, will refrain from any action likely to conflict with or impede Union action based on that decision.

Therefore, AT will not contribute to the financing of this Assistance Measure. Instead, AT will voluntarily contribute an additional amount to a non-sensitive assistance measure for Ukraine within the framework of the European Peace Facility."

Formal Declaration in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 31(1) of the TEU by Malta on abstention regarding the Council Decision on an Assistance Measure under the European Peace Facility to support the Ukrainian Armed Forces of military equipment, and platforms, designed to deliver lethal force

"In accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 31(1) of the Treaty of the European Union, Malta hereby notifies the Council of its decision to abstain from adopting the Council Decision on an Assistance Measure under the European Peace Facility on the provision of lethal force equipment to the Ukrainian Armed Forces of military equipment, and platforms, designed to deliver lethal force.

As stated at the time of adoption of the Council Decision establishing the European Peace Facility, Malta reserves its right to constructively abstain from assistance measures under the European Peace Facility that allow for the supply of military equipment, or platforms, designed to deliver lethal force.

In the spirit of mutual EU solidarity, MT will refrain from any action likely to conflict with or impede Union action based on that decision.

Therefore, through our voluntary elective commitment, Malta will instead provide a corresponding contribution to the budget for assistance measures in support of Ukraine which do not involve supply of such lethal equipment or platforms."

<u>Declaration</u> by Ireland under Article 31(1) TEU on Abstention from the Assistance Measure under the European Peace Facility for the supply to the Ukrainian Armed Forces of military equipment, and platforms, designed to deliver lethal force

"In accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 31(1) of the Treaty on European Union, Ireland hereby makes a formal declaration and notifies the Council of its decision to abstain from the Council Decision on an Assistance Measure under the European Peace Facility for the supply to the Ukrainian Armed Forces of military equipment, and platforms, designed to deliver lethal force.

Accordingly, Ireland will not be contributing to the costs of that Assistance Measure.

Ireland recalls and reiterates in full its statement of 17 March 2021 to the minutes of COREPER and the Council at the time of adoption of Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/509 of 22 March 2021 establishing a European Peace Facility.

Ireland further recalls Recital 22, Article 27 and in Article 57(3) of that Council Decision and hereby signals its preference to contribute instead to the Council Decision on an assistance measure under the European Peace Facility to support the Ukrainian Armed Forces."

Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine

Approval

6660/22
6630/22

Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its adoption.

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Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in	6666/22
view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine	6663/22
Approval	6665/22

Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its adoption.

MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2022

Foreign Affairs

European security situation

(a)	Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning	6582/22
	restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or	6584/22
	threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and	
	independence of Ukraine	
	Exchange of views	

The Committee held an exchange of views.

(b)	Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive	6678/22
	measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation	6680/22 + ADD 1
	in Ukraine	
	Exchange of views	

The Committee held an exchange of views.

(c) Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine

Presentation by the Commission

The Commission presented its proposal.

TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2022

Foreign Affairs

European security situation

(a)	Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning	6698/22
	restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or	6583/22
	threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and	6585/22
	independence of Ukraine	
	Approval	
	Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption	

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its adoption.

(b)	Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive	6683/22
	measures in view of the situation in Belarus	6571/22
	Approval	6574/22
	Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption	

The Committee did not reach agreement on the text and agreed to revert on this item at its meeting the following day.

(c)	Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive	6682/22
	measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation	6679/22
	in Ukraine	6681/22
	Approval	
	Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption	

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its adoption.

(d)	Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive	6602/22
	measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation	6675/22
	in Ukraine	6677/22
	Approval	
	Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption	

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its adoption.

Request by Ukraine to accede to the EU

The Committee agreed to add this item to the agenda and held an exchange of views.

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THURSDAY-FRIDAY 3-4 MARCH 2022

Justice et Affaires intèrieures

Décision visant à mettre en œuvre la protection temporaire prévue par la directive 2001/55/CE du Conseil du 20 juillet 2001 *Approbation*

6846/22

The Committee approved the compromise text and agreed to submit it to the Council for adoption.

Any other business

COREPER (PART 2) – 4 MARCH 2022

Situation of refugees at Polish-Ukrainian border

The Committee took note of the information provided by Poland.

Application for EU membership for Georgia and Moldova

The Presidency informed the Committee that Georgia has submitted an application to join the EU. A similar application is expected to be received from Moldova later that evening. The Committee will revert.

COREPER (PART 1)

MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2022

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

Extraordinary meeting of the Transport, Telecommunications and <u>Energy</u> Council on 28 February 2022

1. Agenda

The Presidency presented the agenda.

2. Preparation 6640/22

The Committee prepared the item for the Council.