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SUMMARY RECORD
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
6, 7 and 8 April 2022

I. Adoption of the agenda

7800/1/22 REV 1 OJ CRP1 14

7925/1/22 REV 1 OJ CRP2 14 + REV 1 ADD 1 REV 1 + REV 1 ADD 2

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 APRIL 2022

Telecommunications

2. Regulation on ePrivacy
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 31 March 2022.

Fisheries

3. Regulation amending various Regulations as regards fisheries
control
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 25 March 2022.

Agriculture and Fisheries

4. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 7 April 2022: preparation

The Committee approved the participation of the Ukrainian minister for Agrarian Policy and Food.

Internal Market and Industry

5. Regulation on a single market for digital services (Digital Services Act) and amending Directive 2000/31/EC
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 31 March 2022.

6. Directive amending Directive 2013/34/EU, Directive 2004/109/EC, Directive 2006/43/EC and Regulation (EU) No 537/2014, as regards corporate sustainability reporting
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 28 March 2022.

Transport

7. 'Fit for 55' package

7433/22

Regulation on ensuring a level playing field for sustainable air transport (ReFuelEU Aviation initiative)
Guidance for further work

The Committee provided guidance for further work.

FRIDAY 8 April 2022

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

61. Informal video conference of ministers for transport on 8 April 2022

1. Agenda

The Presidency presented the agenda.

2. Preparation

Coordinated European response to the war in Ukraine in the field of transport

Exchange of views

The Committee prepared the item.

Environment

8. 'Fit for 55' package (follow-up to the discussion of 1 April)

7713/22

(a) Revision of Directive 2003/87/EC establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading (ETS)

(b) Regulation establishing a Social Climate Fund
Guidance for further work

The Committee provided guidance for further work.

Employment and Social Policy

9. Directive on adequate minimum wages in the European Union

Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 29 March and 6 April 2022.

10. Directive on improving the gender balance among non-executive directors of companies listed on stock exchanges and related measures

Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 30 March 2022.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL 2022

Foreign Affairs

22. Russian aggression against Ukraine

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

7874/22
7877/22
7879/22
7999/22
8001/22

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

7899/22
7901/22 + ADD 1

Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert on this issue at its next meeting.

Justice and Home Affairs

23. European coordination on the reception of people fleeing Ukraine: follow-up *State of play*

The Committee took note of the state of play.

General Affairs

24. Amended Regulation on increased pre-financing from REACT-EU resources *Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement*

7797/22

The Committee approved the text of the final compromise. The European Parliament will be informed.

Foreign Affairs

25. Council meeting (Foreign Affairs) on 11 April 2022: 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) Global Gateway
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the EEAS and agreed on the participation of the foreign ministers of Iceland and Norway at an informal lunch.

26. EU-AU summit (Brussels, 17 and 18 February 2022): follow-up
Exchange of views

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

27. EU-China summit (via video conference, 1 April 2022):
follow-up
Exchange of views

The Committee postponed this item to its next meeting on the following day.

General Affairs

28. Energy challenges in the context of the crisis in Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views.

29. Food security in the context of the crisis in Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert on this issue at one of its next meetings.

30. Council meeting (General Affairs) on 12 April 2022:
preparation

- (a) Annual rule of law dialogue: country-specific discussion
Exchange of views

6705/22

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (b) Conference on the Future of Europe
Information from the Presidency
Exchange of views

7778/22

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (c) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

Economic and Financial Affairs

31. Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 5 April
2022: follow-up

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

THURSDAY 7 April 2022

Foreign Affairs

22. Russian aggression against Ukraine

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| (a) | Council Decision, Implementing Regulation and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine | 7984/22
7875/22
7878/22
7983/22 |
| | <i>Approval</i> | |
| | <i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i> | |
| (b) | Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine | 7167/22
7900/22
7902/22 |
| | <i>Approval</i> | |
| | <i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i> | |
| c) | Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in Russia's aggression against Ukraine | 8058/22
8054/22
8057/22 |
| | <i>Approval</i> | |
| | <i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i> | |

The Committee approved the texts and agreed to use the written procedure for their adoption.

27. EU-China summit (via video conference, 1 April 2022):
follow-up
Exchange of views

The Committee took note of the information provided by the PEC Cabinet and the Commission and held an exchange of views on the intended follow-up.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

None.

COREPER (PART 2)

Ukraine pledging event

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

"I" items approved**COREPER (PART 1)****WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL 2022****Institutional affairs****Written questions**

11. Reply to question for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament
Adoption by silence procedure
- 7748/22
PE-QE

Agnès Evren (PPE)

7121/22

‘Setting up a European civic service – how will it fit in with other existing programmes?’

Appointments

12. One member (DK) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training
Adoption
- 7722/22
SOC

13. One alternate member (NL) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training
Adoption
- 7464/22
SOC

Judicial Affairs

14. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 1 March 2022 in Case C-275/20 (Commission v Council)
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
- 7731/22
JUR

EU positions for international negotiations

15. Council Decision on the EU position at the 57th session of the Committee of Experts for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF)
Adoption
- 7378/22
7309/22 + ADD 1
TRANS

16. Council Decision on the EU position within the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at the 105th session of the Maritime Safety Committee and the 46th session of the Facilitation Committee
Adoption
- 7645/22
7532/22
MAR
OMI

Statement by the Commission

"The proposed amendments to the resolutions on performance standards in relation to equipment used in the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System and the proposed amendments to the Annex to the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic (FAL) to be adopted by the IMO will affect existing Union rules or alter their scope. As such, these amendments fall entirely within the exclusive external competence of the Union.

Further and in any event, in accordance with established case-law, in particular case C-600/14, the EU external competence is not limited to its exclusive competence. The Union position established in respect of those proposed amendments cannot be limited in scope and must be understood as covering them in their entirety.

The Commission reserves all its rights."

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| 17. | Coordination of the EU position for the meeting of the Ministerial Council (EU-Western Balkans Transport Community) (Priština, 27 April 2022)
<i>Approval</i> | 7678/22
TRANS |
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Transport

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| 18. | Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the Union and its Member States, of the Accession Protocol of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Croatia and Romania to the Cooperation Agreement on a Civil Global Satellite Navigation System (GNSS) with the Republic of Korea (Irish-language version)
<i>Adoption</i> | 7697/22
6756/19
6738/19
TRANS |
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General Affairs

19. Regulation (EU) No 536/2014 concerning investigational medicinal products made available in the United Kingdom with respect to Northern Ireland as well as in Cyprus, Ireland and Malta
Adoption of the legislative act

7830/22 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 7/22
UK

Statement by the Commission

"The withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union has posed particular challenges for those Member States (Cyprus, Ireland and Malta) that during many years were being supplied with medicines from or through parts of the United Kingdom.

The Commission recognises the progress that has been made by Cyprus, Ireland and Malta and industrial operators to implement the necessary changes to facilitate the ongoing supply of medicines following the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the EU.

In order to ensure a long-term security of supply of medicines, the Commission stresses the need for enhanced efforts of all concerned parties in fostering the adaptation of the supply chains to the situation after the United Kingdom's withdrawal.

The Commission is fully committed to accompanying Cyprus, Ireland and Malta in their efforts towards phasing out the temporary derogations provided for in Directive [XXX] and Regulation [XXX] within three years.

To that end, the Commission will, in accordance with Union law and in full respect of the distribution of competences between the Union and Member States in the area of medicines for human use, continuously follow developments in the concerned Member States and will closely accompany the competent authorities of Cyprus, Ireland and Malta in their efforts to decrease the dependency of their domestic markets on the supply with medicinal products from or through parts of the United Kingdom other than Northern Ireland.

The Commission will invite the competent authorities of Cyprus, Ireland and Malta to provide it, on a regular basis, with information on these efforts.

Taking this information into account, the Commission will report in writing to the European Parliament and the Council within 18 months from the date of entry into force of Directive [XXX] and Regulation [XXX] on the progress accomplished in Cyprus, Ireland and Malta towards the complete phasing out of the derogations and the actions of the Commission to closely accompany the competent authorities of those Member States in that regard.

The Commission will remind the industrial operators concerned who still need to make changes to their supply chains that they urgently should make the necessary adaptations to ensure access to medicines in the smaller markets. In this context, the Commission will monitor the progress made by operators involved in the supply of medicines in these Member States regarding their ability to fulfil those requirements of Union law from which Directive [XXX] and Regulation [XXX] provide for temporary derogations.

In addition and beyond these immediate and necessary steps, as announced in the 'Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe'¹, the Commission will make proposals by the end of 2022 to revise the pharmaceutical legislation of the Union. These proposals will seek to provide longer-term structural solutions, in particular, to the issue of access to medicines, with special attention to enhancing security of supply and addressing risks of shortages in the smaller markets of the Union."

20. Directives 2001/20/EC and 2001/83/EC concerning certain medicinal products for human use made available in the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland, as well as in Cyprus, Ireland and Malta
Adoption of the legislative act

7829/22 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 6/22
UK

Statement by the Commission

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21. Amended Regulation on increased pre-financing from REACT-EU resources

Adoption of the legislative act

Decision to derogate from the eight-week period provided for in Article 4 of Protocol 1 on the role of national parliaments in the EU

7832/22
PE-CONS 14/22
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¹ Commission Communication ‘Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe’, COM(2020) 761 final, 25.11.2020.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL 2022

Institutional affairs

Appointments

32. Two members and five alternate members (PT) of the Committee of the Regions 7618/22
Adoption 7617/22
CDR

Other

60. Resignation of the Secretary-General of the Council 7949/22
INST
33. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party 7882/22
on Atomic Questions on 6 April 2022 ATO
Approval
34. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the United Nations 7607/22
Working Party on 7 April 2022 CONUN
Approval
35. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Middle 7634/22
East/Gulf Working Party on 7 April 2022 MOG
Approval
36. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party 7782/22
of Financial Counsellors on 7 April 2022 ECOFIN
Approval
37. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party 7602/22
on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (WP 2030) on SUSTDEV
12 April 2022
Approval
38. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Political and 7755/22
Security Committee on 13 April 2022 COPS
Approval
39. Attendance of third parties at the meetings of the Working Party 7791/22
on JHA Information Exchange on 13 and 29 April 2022 IXIM
Approval

Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 40. | Digital finance – DLT Pilot Regime Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 7351/22
PE-CONS 88/21
EF |
| 41. | Transfer No DEC 07/2022 (Section III – Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 7683/22
7514/22
FIN |
| 42. | Transfer No DEC 08/2022 (Section III – Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 7684/22
7515/22
FIN |
| 43. | Transfer No DEC 09/2022 (Section III – Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 7685/22
7516/22
FIN |
| 44. | Joint statement on the dates for the budgetary procedure and modalities for the functioning of the Conciliation Committee in 2022
<i>Approval</i> | 7686/22
7687/22
FIN |
| 45. | Joint statement on ACER, EMA, ECDC, EEA and Europol
<i>Approval</i> | 7688/22
7689/22
FIN |

General Affairs

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| 46. | Conclusions on the European Court of Auditors' Special Report No 02/2022 on energy efficiency in enterprises
<i>Approval</i> | 7715/22 + ADD 1
COH |
| 47. | Cybercrime: position to guide EU engagement in preparation for negotiations for a UN Convention
<i>Approval</i> | 7727/22
CYBER |
| 48. | Access of Schengen associated countries to ISAA reports
<i>Approval</i> | 7743/22
IPCR |

Justice and Home Affairs

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| 49. | Regulation on e-CODEX system and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1726
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 7264/22
PE-CONS 87/21
EJUSTICE |
| 50. | Schengen evaluation Recommendation – Greece: management of external borders
<i>Adoption</i> | 7785/22
7784/22
SCH-EVAL |
| 51. | Schengen evaluation Recommendation – Italy: management of external borders
<i>Adoption</i> | 7787/22
7786/22
SCH-EVAL |
| 52. | Schengen evaluation Recommendation – Belgium: Schengen Information System
<i>Adoption</i> | 7777/22
7776/22
SCH-EVAL |

Foreign Affairs

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| 53. | Council Decision amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/1869 on the European Union Advisory Mission in support of Security Sector Reform in Iraq (EUAM Iraq)
<i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i> | 6710/22
6709/22
CORLX |
| 54. | Council Implementing Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in Iran
<i>Adoption</i> | 6862/22
6859/22
6861/22
CORLX |
| 55. | Memorandum of understanding on the EU-Morocco Green Partnership
<i>Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument</i> | 7740/22
MAMA |

Delegated or Implementing Acts

Foreign Affairs

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| 56. | Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 25 February 2022 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/196 of the European Parliament and of the Council on additional customs duties on imports of certain products originating in the United States of America
<i>Delegated act – Intention not to raise objections</i> | 7472/22
6987/22 + ADD 1
COMER |
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EU positions for international negotiations

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| 57. Council Decision on the position of the EU, within the EEA Joint Committee, concerning the amendment to Annex IX (Financial services) and Protocol 37 (containing the list provided for in Article 101) to the EEA Agreement (Participation of the EEA EFTA States in the Member State Expert Group on Sustainable Finance)
<i>Adoption</i> | 6900/22
6899/22
AELE |
| 58. Council Decision on the EU position on the Rules of Procedure of the EU-Armenia Partnership Council and other bodies set up by the Partnership Council
<i>Adoption</i> | 7666/22
7494/22 + ADD 1
COEST |
| 59. Council Decision on the EU position within the Technical Committees on Customs Valuation and on Rules of Origin, established under the auspices of the World Customs Organization, on implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994
<i>Adoption</i> | 7707/22
7496/22 + ADD 1
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